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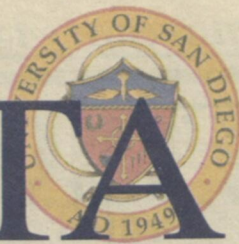
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## Peace Corps talk on campus offers an alternative option for students

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On Sept. 23, Amber Lung, a field-based reporter for the Peace Corps, spoke at University of San Diego, informing students about the new application process that makes it easier for graduating seniors to join the organization.

The Peace Corps, a federal government organization created in 1961, trains and sends American volunteers abroad to work with people in developing countries. There is no fee to apply and the length of service is typically two years.

The new application process takes about an hour, as opposed to the old application that could take up to eight hours to complete. Also, students and those considering joining the Peace Corps now have the option to choose their location and preferred field of work when applying to become a volunteer.

Applicants are chosen based on the work they are qualified for, making the recruiting process more selective. However, there is no limit on how many times

someone may apply.

There are transition funds for returning volunteers, financial assistance for graduate school programs and student loan assistance.

Volunteers with Perkins Loans may be eligible for a partial cancellation benefit, and there are school loan deferments for several federal programs including Stafford, Perkins, direct and consolidated loans.

Previous Peace Corps volunteers and students have expressed their thoughts and concerns about joining the organization, weighing the benefits and possible outcomes of becoming a volunteer.

Though the reasons for joining vary, Lung explained why she chose to become a Peace Corps volunteer in Namibia, Africa.

"I wanted to gain international public health experience, and to learn a new language," Lung said.

Lung believes many students continue to choose to serve for similar reasons.

"Students join Peace Corps for many reasons, but I think the

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Photo courtesy of Kathleen Thomas/C.A.R.E.

Flags adorn the lawn of Hahn University Center as part of an awareness campaign drawing attention to the 'red flags' of dating violence.

## New law defines sexual consent

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Sexual assault is an underreported crime on college campuses across the country.

But that may be changing, thanks to a new California law that will redefine when "yes means yes."

California has become a

pioneer in the effort to change the way sexual assault is handled at universities. On Sunday, Sept. 28, California Gov. Jerry Brown (D) signed into law Senate Bill 967, which will clarify consent on university campuses across the state. The law now requires affirmative consent for sexual activity and mandates that colleges receiving state funds adopt standards for investigating sexual

misconduct. The law is the first of its kind.

University of San Diego, which receives state funding through grants and financial aid programs, will be one of the colleges affected by the legislation.

The school is currently in the process of reviewing the law to see how it will impact current policies, according to Dean of Students

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## Let's talk about sex



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Last week, Gov. Jerry Brown passed a law that legally clears up when an act is or is not sexual assault on college campuses. The law says that a “yes” is not a “yes” until it is verbally spoken and agreed to by both parties.

While reading articles and listening to commentary on the new law, I’ve been doing some of my own thinking about sex in our society.

Sex is a natural human function driven by our hormones and instinct to reproduce. That’s it.

But, culturally, sex is not that simple. We categorize sex in so many different ways that it loses all resemblance to what it physically and fundamentally is.

First, as the new law shows, we categorize sex as an act with consequences. The consequences can be positive, such as physical or emotional pleasure. The consequences can also be extremely negative: any survivor of sexual assault would understand that.

But here’s where society gets strange about sex. We compartmentalize it, and yet base so much of our lives around it.

I would argue that sex is the root of a large part of our cultural humor. We laugh at it, we make jokes about it, and some people humiliate and tease others about it.

We also draw artistic lines: Some visual representations of sex are considered obscene, while others are respected art. Some sex humor is clever, some of it is foul.

Finally, we judge people on the basis of sex, and often quite unfairly. As a whole, our culture tends to humiliate people who choose not to have sex. Then we villainize people who have too much of it.

These judgments are so powerful that they can even take away the rights of particular populations based on their sexual preference. The true fight for marriage equality is, in reality, the fight to keep laws out of the bedroom of consenting adults.

This Monday the Supreme Court stepped out of the bedroom, and cleared the way for marriage of same-sex consenting adults in five additional states.

That’s the key: consenting adults. If nothing else about sex in our culture can be black and white, let it be that sex should only take place between those who consent to it.

Other than that one stipulation, sex resides in a completely grey area of life. No matter how much we research, read, write or talk about sex, we can never quite pin it down. Sex is too fluid of a cultural concept to be contained.

However, the new law does remind us that there are two important things to grasp onto and to take as non-negotiables: keep sex safe and keep it consensual.

## Calif. ‘yes means yes’ law aims to fight sexual assault at universities

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Donald Godwin, PhD. No changes have been made so far, but Godwin said that administrators would meet in the next week to discuss any necessary revisions.

Senior Daniela Dunham said that a more concrete definition of consent will allow victims to feel more comfortable reporting assaults.

“I think this is a good thing because it will promote people to come forward and talk about their experiences and know that there is a law to back them up,” Dunham said. “If they can 100 percent point to it and say, ‘I did not say yes’, it makes them feel their argument will be taken as more legitimate.”

Kathleen Thomas, a Campus Assault and Resource Education advocate at USD, says that the law is an important progressive step in changing the stigma that is often attached to sexual assault.

“The biggest piece of the consent law is that it’s an intent to change the culture,” Thomas said. “The reality is that sex should never be wasted; it’s one of the biggest gifts you can give another individual. This law is a great step in changing the culture of blaming victims for not explicitly saying ‘no.’”

The law is a change from the ubiquitous “no means no” message of many rape awareness campaigns. Many advocates believe this idea creates a gray area in situations when alcohol



Photo courtesy of Kathleen Thomas/C.A.R.E.

Students hold a vigil in remembrance of sexual assault victims during Sexual Assault Awareness Week in April 2013.

and other influences may hinder a victim’s ability to say no, and places the responsibility to avoid assault solely in the hands of the victim.

A report from the Department of Public Safety states that, in 2013, there were five forcible sex offenses reported at USD. Four occurred in on-campus residence halls.

Studies show that an estimated one in five women is assaulted during college. Yet just 11 percent of incidents on campuses are reported, a figure that drops to 8 percent when alcohol is a factor.

Thomas attributes these

numbers to a fear that victims will face blame or inaction, and hopes that the new law will change that.

“I think it’s a combination of hoping more people will come forward saying ‘Now I feel empowered to make that distinction between thinking [it’s a] violation and knowing,’” Thomas said. “And also empowering women and men, all people, to feel like they have the absolute, innate human right and responsibility to not only say ‘yes’ but make sure they’re receiving that ‘yes’ from someone else.”

The director of the Center for Health and Wellness, Melissa Halter, said research shows that the No. 1 reason students choose not to report assault is a fear of not being believed.

“The messages they hear after they have been sexually assaulted or violated has them going, ‘Did this really happen to me? I’m unsure; I don’t want this to be the truth,’” Halter said. “A key piece for us is to do as much as possible to learn tools to support victims so they can move to a place of feeling like, as a survivor, they are going to be heard.”

USD already has an affirmative consent policy in place. The school’s code of conduct defines consent as: “An affirmative decision to engage in mutually acceptable sexual activity given by clear action or words.” This parallels the “yes means yes” definition given by the new legislation.

The law also requires university school boards to create partnerships with on-campus and community organizations that provide assistance services to students. It mandates that universities implement prevention and outreach programs to address sexual assault and dating violence.

In November 2013, USD’s president convened a sexual assault steering committee of many faculty and staff members from across campus to revise the school’s protocols for dealing with sexual assault cases.

Karen Briggs, a co-chair of the committee and USD’s Title IX coordinator, said the committee had three main

purposes: reviewing and updating policies in the context of new laws, enhancing educational efforts to prevent assault on campus, and forming a task force to assess and improve the on-campus climate surrounding sexual assault. The committee will continue to meet as a part of the ongoing effort to address sexual misconduct.

One of the recent initiatives started by the committee is a mandatory video training on sexual assault education and prevention. The training is required for all students, faculty and staff.

The dialogue around sexual assault prevention has long focused mainly on women because women make up the majority of victims in reported incidences.

Godwin thinks the new law will help reframe the conversation surrounding sexual assault to include men.

“I think the ‘yes means yes’ change allows us the opportunity to engage men more specifically around this than in the past,” Godwin said. “Men often don’t see sexual assault as a problem in their view, and this gives them more responsibility.”

This California legislation comes at a time when sexual assault has moved into the national spotlight. The White House recently launched its “It’s On Us” campaign, an effort to eliminate assault on college campuses. In May, the U.S. Department of Education opened an investigation on 55 universities for possibly violating federal law in their handling of sexual misconduct cases. USD was not included in the investigation.

The law is meant to encourage universities to take a more proactive approach to combating sexual assault by improving on-campus resources and educating student bodies.

Senior Johnny Rice believes it’s important for students to help address the problem.

“[Sexual assault] is repulsive and more awareness needs to be brought to the issue,” Rice said. “We as a university need to make a community that is safe for everyone.”

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# PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT



**OCTOBER 1**

Location: Maher Hall

At 10:58 p.m. the Department of Public Safety responded to a request from resident assistants who were investigating an alcohol related incident. The officers determined that the student required medical attention. Paramedics transported the student to the hospital.



**SEPTEMBER 29**

Location: Student Life Pavilion

At 12:52 p.m. Public Safety responded to a report of the theft of a pair of Beats by DRE headphones. Upon investigation, the student said that he had put his headphones in an outside pocket of his backpack before walking into the SLP. The student noticed the headphones missing as he was leaving. The headphones are valued at \$175.



**SEPTEMBER 27**

Location: Missions A Residence Hall

At 12:57 a.m. the Department of Public Safety responded to a report of the theft of a Macbook Pro laptop from the second floor common area. The student said that he had left his computer unattended, and later found it missing. The laptop had several assorted stickers on the back and front, and is valued at \$2,000. Public Safety asks anyone with information regarding the incident to contact the department immediately.



**SEPTEMBER 27**

Location: Palomar Hall

At approximately 8:20 p.m. Public Safety responded to a report of an intoxicated student. It was determined that the student could not care for himself and was voluntarily transported to detox.



**SEPTEMBER 23**

Location: Serra Hall

At approximately 9:20 a.m. Public Safety responded to a report of a restroom wall that had been vandalized. Upon investigation the wall had already been cleaned, but the reporting party had previously obtained a photograph of the vandalism. The vandalism included the use of a derogatory racial slur.



**SEPTEMBER 23**

Location: Student Life Pavilion

At 12:27 p.m. Public Safety responded to a report that a Longchamp leather purse had been taken. The purse had been left unattended near a stairwell. The purse contained a MacBook Air and a black sweater. Anyone with any information regarding this theft is asked to contact the Department of Public Safety.



**SEPTEMBER 23**

Location: University Terrace Apartments

At approximately 9:50 p.m. Public Safety responded to a report of the smell of marijuana. Upon investigation, one resident student was cited for possession of drugs and paraphernalia. The student was also in possession of prescription medicine that was not prescribed to the student. The case was referred to the San Diego Police Department, and the drugs and paraphernalia were confiscated.

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## USD group participates in contest that asks students to 'Kill the Cup'

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Last week, Aromas used approximately 1,800 disposable paper coffee cups to supply students with their daily caffeine boost. Those cups translate into roughly 110 pounds of waste in a landfill, 450 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions and 450 gallons of water used during the manufacturing process.

University of San Diego's Net Impact, the school's chapter of a national non-profit aimed at sustainability in the business world, feels that that amount of cups is simply too much. The chapter has launched a month-long Kill the Cup campaign to reduce the amount of disposable coffee cups used on campus. During the month of October, students are offered incentives to bring their reusable coffee cups to USD.

Senior Taylor Kilpatrick, one of the presidents of Net Impact, believes the contest will give students the push they need to make a change.

"It's probably the case for all college students, but we're kind of lazy about actually making an effort to change our habits," Kilpatrick said. "I think that's probably a general human trait. I think that there is a lot of openness to change but not the initiative to do it."

In an effort to get students involved, Net Ventures is offering participating students prizes furnished by the Kill the Cup contest. Students can submit daily pictures of themselves with a reusable coffee mug to KillTheCup.com, and are then entered into a pool of prizes. Prizes include weekly giveaways of Amazon gift cards, and one grand prize of a new iPad.

The Kill the Cup contest is two-pronged. First, the contest

measures participation by the percentage of the campus population who submit pictures online. Second, the contest measures the actual impact by calculating the increase in reusable coffee mug use during the month. This is measured by the discount given to reusable mug users across campus coffee vendors. If USD's Net Ventures comes out on top of other universities, they will be awarded \$2,000 to continue sustainability efforts on campus.

Net Ventures is also personally offering even more perks for USD students who take part in the Kill the Cup contest. The group is providing free coffee on Mondays in October from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Aromas to anyone using a reusable mug. Throughout the week, reusable mug users can also write their email address on their Aroma's receipt and put it in a raffle bowl for weekly Campus Cash gift card prizes.

Kilpatrick thinks that all the



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Net Impact's Taylor Kilpatrick and Claire Kane ask students to Kill the Cup at the Changemaker Fest on Oct. 10.

prizes will work to excite students about sustainability. She said that the contest is especially important to USD because the coffee mugs

used across campus are not recyclable.

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# USD students and faculty express differing opinions on the Peace Corps

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common thread is that they are looking to make a difference in a unique way," Lung said.

More than 215,000 Americans have served in the Peace Corps and volunteers range in age from 20 to 79 years old.

With the new application process, students must now plan ahead and apply nine months in advance of their desired date of departure.

Assistant professor of political science and international relations at USD, Avi Spiegel, described his experience as a Peace Corps volunteer in Morocco.

"The Peace Corps changed my life," Spiegel said. "If a student wants not just to live in the world but to immerse themselves in it, I cannot think of a better way to spend two years after graduating."

As a potential post-graduation option, Spiegel believes the Peace Corps embodies USD's mission.

"The Peace Corps is the ideal representation of this university, with its dedication to the public good and its strong commitment

to international service," Spiegel said.

According to peacecorps.gov, the Peace Corps' mission is to work toward world peace and friendship by helping people in designated countries meet their need for help by trained men and women providing assistance. It also aims to promote a better understanding of Americans across the world, and a better understanding of the world by Americans.

Senior Farzi Nawabi expressed her desire to join the Peace Corps and how she aims to work toward the Corps' mission.

"My passion is to help others in developing countries who can't afford to seek medical attention which is why I want to become a doctor," Nawabi said. "By joining the Peace Corps I would be able to accomplish these goals and gain leadership experience as well as experiencing new cultures and meeting people."

Nawabi believes that joining the Peace Corps aids in breaking down barriers between different cultures.

"We often tend to point out the differences between each

other, but in the end people are people everywhere no matter the geographic location," Nawabi said.

While Lung expressed that the feedback she heard from other volunteers was mostly positive, some students have differing opinions about the Peace Corps' mission and what serving entails.

Junior Jeffrey Hallock described his experience coming into contact with Peace Corps volunteers while he was traveling in Ecuador.

"I spent a month in the close company of three female volunteers spread across the small towns of the region," Hallock said.

"While the women were intelligent and determined, they faced many hurdles in their work, including apathy from the local populations. Their work had to incorporate the locals and they were often met with disinterest."

Hallock also explained his concern for what the organization does.

"I think the Peace Corps does more for the individual than it does for global development and the organization doesn't seem to have a structure of long-term



Photo courtesy of Avi Spiegel

USD alumnus and professor Avi Spiegel volunteered in Morocco with the Peace Corps from 1998 until 2000.

sustainability for the work sites," Hallock said.

Hallock also stressed the importance of being aware of the possible challenges that can occur when becoming a volunteer.

"Each Peace Corps experience will be different as every region in need of assistance will provide a unique set of challenges and anyone applying for the Peace Corps should be cognizant of what the two years of work will truly entail and the realities that each potential site they get assigned to will provide."

Senior Daniela Conde also has conflicting views about the Peace Corps.

"I think the Peace Corps is upholding this paternalistic view of semi-charitable work," Conde said. "There is grassroots work in the United States that would be more responsible instead of going into other countries and solving other countries' issues when we have plenty at home, and these local issues are interconnected with global issues."

While the Peace Corps continuously develops, it is

a decision many continue to consider as an option after graduating. Approximately 94 percent of volunteers have at least an undergraduate degree.

Previously, there have been 190 USD alumni that have joined the Peace Corps, and 11 are currently serving.

Lung also mentioned the advantages graduating seniors tend to consider before joining as a volunteer.

"The technical skills gained, and proven ability to work in developing countries helps volunteers stand out and be more competitive for graduate school and future work," Lung said. "Volunteers learn more about the world and themselves, serve as ambassadors for the United States abroad, and gain concrete skills that will help them in graduate school or their future careers."

While the application process for the Peace Corps has become less time consuming and more preference-based, students are still left with diverging opinions about the Peace Corps as an option for life after graduation.



Photo courtesy of Trent Mendenhall

USD '14 graduate Trent Mendenhall is currently volunteering with the Peace Corps in Fiji.

## Students offered incentives to use reusable coffee mugs on campus

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"Basically no disposable coffee cups are recyclable because the inside has a wax lining," Kilpatrick said. "That's why Kill the Cup is entirely focused on coffee cups. Obviously recycling plastic water bottles and using reusable water bottles is important too, but you can recycle disposable bottles."

Sophomore Lucy Meske, who was enjoying a hot tea at Aromas, was surprised to find out that the cup she was drinking from was not recyclable. She thinks the Kill the Cup contest could be a success for USD.

"I think as long as people have more knowledge about it," Meske said. "It can't hurt."

USD is one of 10 schools taking part in Kill the Cup, the nation's largest reusable cup contest. Other contestants include such large and respected universities as Boston University, New York University and Georgetown University. The contest is run by Social Ventures for Sustainability, a nonprofit that got its start at the University

of California San Diego's Rady School of Management. Co-founder and CEO Drew Beal said he was motivated to create the Kill the Cup contest after watching people's wasteful actions.

"I used to work in an office, and every day my coworkers would do the same thing: wake up, go to work and get coffee and every day in a disposable cup," Beal said. "When I started studying consumer behavior in grad school, I realized that people needed better incentives to behave in environmentally friendly ways."

Senior Brittany Becker, who is also a president of Net Impact, believes that the Kill the Cup incentives will help change the behaviors of consumers and USD students. Becker knows the habit of using throw-away coffee cups is a deep-rooted problem in the country.

"U.S. consumers throw away 50 billion paper cups a year," Becker said. "That's 12.5 billion pounds of CO<sub>2</sub>."

Net Ventures hopes that the Kill the Cup campaign will inspire students to start a new trend that will spark additional sustainability efforts across the country.



Olivia Lougee/The Vista

Students re-enter the SLP after evacuating the building due to a fire alarm.

## Fire alarm clears SLP during lunch hours

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On Tuesday, Oct. 7 at approximately 1:25 p.m., students and faculty were startled by the screeching sounds of the fire alarm system echoing throughout the Student Life Pavilion. The building was evacuated after the alarm system was triggered by a smoking oven in Tu Mercado.

Students walked slowly down the stairwell, carrying their bags and books. One student attempted to balance a hot bowl of pho while making his descent to the second floor exit. Many students appeared annoyed by the

abrupt interruption.

Junior Diana Fontaine said the alarm interrupted her work on a Be Blue Go Green project.

"We were in the middle of working on a project and it was rather annoying to be evacuated because we were almost done," Fontaine said.

Joi Gordon, who works at Frank's Smoothie Bar, said the alarm system detected smoke from an oven in Tu Mercado.

"The oven had something too hot in it and it started smoking," Gordon said. "It's under control. It was just smoke."

Nicki Schuessler, director of university centers and student activities, said the both the

alarm systems and the students responded appropriately.

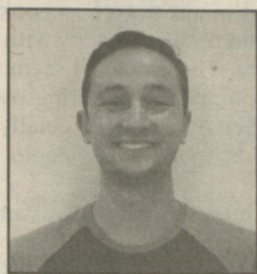
"It was not a drill, and all systems functioned properly," Schuessler said. "Smoke or heat set off the alarm and everyone should always evacuate when they hear an alarm."

Schuessler hopes that, despite the minor nature of the incident, students will still quickly respond to all fire alarms on campus.

"The problem with sometimes identifying what [the cause of the fire] is, is that people will then think from now on that it's not important and they shouldn't evacuate," Schuessler said. "And then that's when we could have a fire."



*The value of a college degree*



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Acorns is one of the smartest, most college student-relevant smartphone apps ever released.

The app automatically invests spare change into a well-managed and diversified portfolio. For example, when a user makes a \$3.75 purchase using a credit or debit card, Acorns rounds up to the nearest dollar and will invest \$0.25 into a portfolio that matches the user's risk preference.

More important than the app's functionality is the problems that it solves.

The importance of investing is often overlooked by college students, most of whom put it off until after graduation. But investing early in life is one of the easiest ways to increase future portfolio value. It all comes down to the concept of compound interest.

Compound interest is the simple idea that as investments accrue interest, the interest will in turn accrue even more interest. Over long periods of time, compound interest becomes incredibly powerful. By waiting to invest, a person gives up some of benefits of compound interest.

The app also diversifies user investments. The app offers six portfolios ranging from conservative to aggressive that reinvest dividends and are automatically rebalanced.

For me, the task of diversifying a portfolio, especially with the small amount of money I am able to invest, is daunting and time consuming.

A portfolio that is available to anyone with a smartphone is an incredible step towards removing traditional obstacles from investing.

The other obstacle facing students is the need for money to invest. It is difficult for a college student to tie up money in an investment because the benefits of the investment are not yielded for such a long time. An investment does not appeal to a student who would rather put the money into something tangible like food, drinks or recreation.

Acorns allows one to invest without the need for a large upfront cost. All the investments come from spare change that most people are unlikely to notice. Most people mentally round up expenses already, so putting spare change into a portfolio does not affect the perception of how much one is spending.

I think the type of investing this app provides is ideal for college students. To the average student at the University of San Diego, investing is boring and can be put off until after graduation when the "real world" starts. Not investing during college is not a fatal mistake, but it just makes sense to invest, especially with an app like Acorns available. Why not save a little money and earn a little bit of interest without ever really spending anything?

There is no longer an excuse for college students to postpone investing.

## Alumni businesses prosper in San Diego

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Ryan Bros. Coffee, owned and operated by brothers Harry, Carmine and Tom Ryan, first began serving coffee at University of San Diego volleyball and basketball games in 1994 and has been serving on campus ever since. The company that began began as a tea, coffee and chocolate cart is now the official supplier at USD. This November marks its 20-year anniversary. The Ryan brothers strive to make a locally produced and authentic product for the students of USD and the San Diego community.

Harry, '92, and Carmine, '93, began to realize their goals through their liberal arts education at USD. According to Harry Ryan, having a major other than business allowed for important influences that helped develop his skills of determination and persistence. He was most influenced by his poetry professor, Ron Hill, PhD.

"Dr. Hill mentored me into understanding the dedication it takes to learning and developing the skilled craft of writing," Harry Ryan said.

The skills he learned in the classroom carried over into his business management.

The challenges the Ryan

brothers faced while starting their company were far from few. It took them years before any salaries were established.

"Salaries? Took ten years before we could accomplish that. Crazy, huh?" Harry Ryan said.

The brothers' biggest challenge in starting up their company was their need for money.

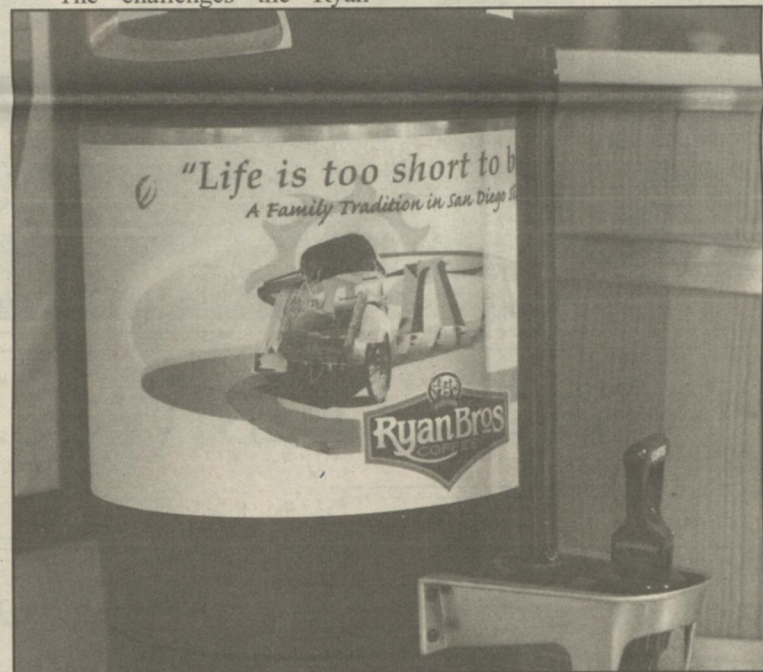
"Lack of capital, no co-signer on a loan, nothing but 'sweat equity' and the banks don't like that," Harry Ryan said. "Sacrificing personal desires for the family benefit is how you can overcome such obstacles. Personal egos have to be trash-canned if the team is to grow and become something special."

The Ryan family even moved in together for a time to cut overhead costs.

"In the course of being persistent, never giving up, even though everyone you know — especially the banks — thinks you're crazy to pursue such an uncertain, long-term goal as coffee," Harry Ryan said. "A brand has been built by my family and everyone has sacrificed to make it happen."

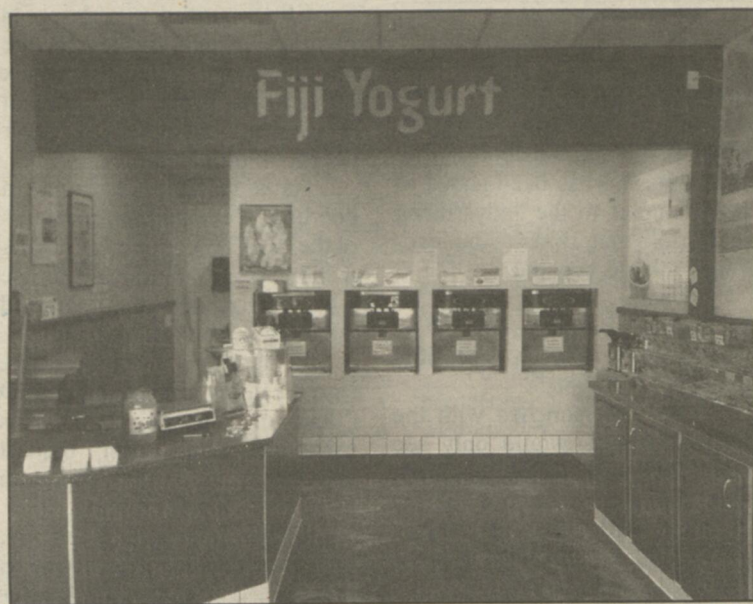
Harry Ryan also had a work study during his time as a student at USD.

"We loved the convenience of living and working on campus all four years," Harry Ryan said. "It was the start needed to make our dream come true."



Ryan Bros is the official coffee supplier at USD.

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Christopher Reyes/The Vista

Fiji offers a cool treat for warm San Diego weather.

### Fiji Frozen Yogurt

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A 2007 USD graduate with a bachelor's in business administration and a minor in Spanish, Kyle Miholich, owner of the Fiji Yogurt chain, has opened three successful stores in the San Diego area. Miholich has been dedicated to the freshest yogurt and freshest quality ingredients since he opened Fiji right after his graduation.

During Miholich's time at USD, entrepreneurship was not as prevalent on campus as it is now.

"There was only one entrepreneurship class when I was a student and the course provided my first experience in creating a business plan," Miholich said. "I am excited to see the increasing awareness of entrepreneurship on campus."

In addition to providing him knowledge to start his own business, Miholich's experience and endeavors in entrepreneurship at USD allowed him to run his own insurance and investment practice at MassMutual in La Jolla today.

Miholich considers his part-time job during his attendance at USD to have been a valuable tool that helps him manage his businesses today.

"I worked part-time at Riverwalk Golf Course while attending USD," Miholich said.

"I believe that it is important for students to get work experience while in school because there are valuable lessons to be learned outside of the classroom."

The skills he learned outside the classroom rounded his character to better prepare him for the business world.

"I was able to develop my responsibility, time management skills and improve my terrible golf game through maintaining a part-time job during college," Miholich said.

When starting up Fiji Yogurt, Miholich incorporated the skills he acquired in the classroom with what he acquired through his part-time job. As is the issue with most new startup companies, Miholich struggled at first with startup capital when founding Fiji Yogurt.

"Access to startup capital is usually the biggest challenge for young entrepreneurs and I was no different," Miholich said. "I raised some capital through support of family and friends and had to be resourceful and responsible while seeking traditional credit."

Luckily for Miholich, he was able to repay all his loans within a few years after starting his company.

"This required strict budgeting, dedication and making financial decisions based on my responsibility to my creditors and my business," Miholich said.

Fiji Yogurt has been continually successful since its opening in 2007, and has been popular among students at USD.

## Sept. 29 to Oct. 3 market review

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For the second week in a row, stocks ended at a loss as investors continued to act with caution due to geopolitical unrest and economic uncertainty.

Several economic indicators scared investors early in the week. Consumer confidence was in its biggest decline since October, according to a report from The Conference Board on Tuesday.

Wednesday saw a sharp decline in stocks, brought about by negative reports of U.S. factory activity.

The German manufacturing sector also declined, the first time it has done so in over a year. Both caused investor sentiment to decline.

American markets were brought down by news from Asian markets. Protesters in Hong

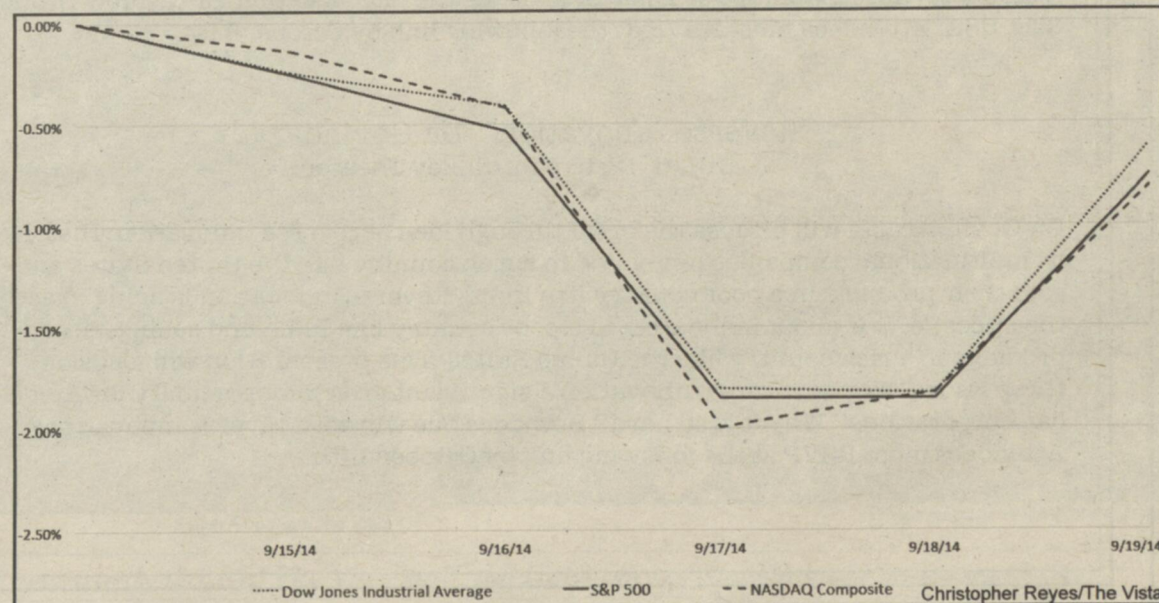
Kong are demanding political autonomy from China, sparking investor worries throughout Asia.

The Ebola virus also had an effect on stocks. Airline stocks fell as news was released that an infected man flew from Liberia to

the United States.

Stocks improved at the end of the week with the release of September payroll figures. Employers added 248,000 jobs in September, causing a jump in stock prices early on Friday.

The job growth was higher than expected and drops the unemployment rate dropped below 6 percent, the lowest it has been since 2008. A revision higher of August payroll figures also improved investor sentiment.





# Ello takes on Facebook in social network market

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Eight weeks ago, Paul Budnitz launched a social network called Ello, meant to serve as an “anti-Facebook.” The site’s mission has been stated to be a counter to the “advertising platform” that Budnitz believes Facebook has become.

“Users are products at Facebook,” Budnitz said. “They want to know as much as possible to advertise to you.”

Ello was launched with the idea that users would only see what they wish to see, claiming that the site will not be as cluttered with ads and statuses as Facebook, nor will it be a competitor to Facebook.

Instead, Budnitz hopes that Ello will be an ad-free “antidote” to Facebook, where users will not

have to worry about having their information sold to third parties.

Ello gained widespread attention when traffic to the site increased after Facebook banned drag queen users for not using their real names on their Facebook profiles.

As a result, Ello earned a flooding of emails from members of the LGBTQ community asking if they would be allowed to use whatever names they wanted while on the networking site.

In addition, many users are signing up as a result of FOMO (“fear of missing out”). This expanded Ello’s user request population to 31,000 users an hour, and it’s still growing.

Ello’s interface is simple, with much more white space in contrast to Facebook’s cluster of ads and status updates. Users are able to friend or block other users by dragging profile pictures

into either the friends or noise categories. Feeds from both categories can be viewed with a click of a mouse.

However, some users have expressed concerns about Ello, namely about its aesthetics and functionality.

Many users have claimed that Ello’s lack of ads is the only feature that sets it apart from other social media sites, such as Twitter and Tumblr.

One such user, freshman Joseph Tomlin, also voiced his complaints about the confusing nature of Ello’s posting system.

“A ton of the buttons aren’t as self-explanatory as one might think,” Tomlin said. “They’re super hard to see against the background and one wrong click can get you in huge trouble. I once accidentally deleted one of my friends’ comments and he thought he said something

wrong.”

In addition, there is a large concern about the lack of a “Like” button, a prominent Facebook feature that helped contribute to the popularity of the site.

Currently, Budnitz considers Ello to still be in beta-testing. The site has several glitches that have yet to be smoothed out, and many users are clamoring for features that are not yet implemented into the site.

Budnitz hopes to take on a freemium approach, meaning he will charge users money to use special features of the site, such as the ability to control several profiles on one account. The intent for such features is to supplement incoming funds due to the lack of ads.

Longtime Facebook user and sophomore Emily Klapp does not think much of the new social media website.

“It’s just another social media website,” Klapp said. “As it is, I’m already a Facebook user and am perfectly happy with what I have. There doesn’t seem to be any point in transferring over to another new site, especially if it intends to exclude people from it.”

Junior Christopher Vanek is also a longtime user of Facebook and Google Plus and is not impressed by the new new social network.

“There really isn’t anything special about it, except for the lack of ads,” Vanek said. “Sure, I do prefer it over Facebook, but in the end, I think Google Plus is the better site.”

Ello is still a budding social network, with a user base that is growing every day. As of right now, users may only join through invitation, which may be requested on the Ello website.



Ello is attempting to redefine the social network with their unique offering.

## Business Events This Week

### Ahlers Center for International Business Speaker Series

“The Flying Technnological Revolution” -Tim McConnell  
10/13 12:15 p.m. KIPJ Room C

With the rapid evolution of relevant technology to make intelligent, capable, low-cost unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) possible, we are at the very forefront of a flying technological revolution. Lightweight, low-power computers, along with the advance of Lithium Polymer batteries, has enabled a step function in flight capacity and availability of UAV technology to consumers and commerce. San Diego's strong UAV engineering presence, along with our location across the border from the premier manufacturing capabilities of Tijuana, make us the ideal location for the new Drone City, USA. Attendees must RSVP at the following link by October 11th.

“Reverse Innovation” -Dr. Govindarjan  
10/16 12:15 p.m. Shiley Theater

Dr. Govindarajan will discuss the breakthrough idea of reverse innovation. Historically, multinational companies innovated in a rich country like the United States and sold their products in a poor country like India. Reverse innovation is doing exactly the opposite. It is about innovating in a poor country like India and selling those products in a rich country like the United States. This presentation will focus on three issues: Why is reverse innovation a significant growth opportunity for American corporations? Why is it so hard? How does one win with reverse innovation? Attendees must RSVP at the following link by October 14th.

### AS/BAP

Presentation from McGladrey  
10/16 12:15 p.m. Olin 229

“A Day in the Life of an Auditor”  
Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) Info Session  
10/17 6:00pm SOLES Warren Auditorium

Branding and Communicating with  
Recruiters  
10/17 12:20 p.m. Serra 215

Set yourself apart with your own personal brand. Develop your personal branding message and learn how to apply it when networking and interviewing with employers.



## Being sick at school



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During my time at college I have learned something about being sick: It is way better when you are at home.

Coming to college and enjoying all of the new freedoms it has to offer is quite the new experience. You get to live with other students your age away from parental supervision; it is almost like a dream come true.

It seems perfect, almost too perfect. But wait; once you get all cozy in your new free life you start to feel sick. Uh oh. This new freedom suddenly takes a step backwards.

Living on my own with no parental supervision is something that is put into perspective every time I get sick, and it always happens around the same time each year.

Never have I missed home more than when I am sick. Maybe that is how the term "homesick" was coined. Someone realized how much worse being sick while at school was and wanted to go home while they were sick. It makes perfect sense.

This whole time I have thought homesick meant just being sick for home, not wanting to be sick at home. I think that is a definite upside to going to school close to home.

If I were sick and lived a drivable distance away from home, I would definitely go, especially if it was a weekend. Unfortunately, that is not the case.

Instead of your parents taking care of you, making you soup and giving you whatever you need, you are expected to fend for yourself, all the while staying up to date with your classes and whatever other responsibilities you may have.

It is a big task, but also one that can be taken on. Drinking tons of orange juice and going to bed early is how I try to deal with it, but the latter is easier said than done, especially with roommates and homework.

Feeling sick is bad, and dealing with it at school is even worse. But that is the price you pay to be an adult. You have to be able to take care of yourself when you are sick from time to time.

Sounds like a steep price, but I will have to make do. My parents are coming this weekend for Homecoming and Parents Weekend, so I will be sure to eat my fruits and veggies this week.

If not, my mom is going to try constantly feeding me the entire time she is here, which I guess is not a completely bad thing, food is great.

After being sick for the first time at school, I had no idea what hit me. The times I have been sick since then I have tried to be as proactive as possible with taking care of myself, but nothing beats being sick at home.

# Homecoming weekend at USD

## Freshmen expectations for Homecoming and Family Weekend

**Samantha Paul**  
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Homecoming. Defined as, "an instance of returning home," homecoming is a term most college freshmen associate with the traditional week that happened as soon as football season and fall began.

A week that brims with school spirit, unifying the student body and attracting countless alumni to reconnect with their alma mater.

Homecoming meant something special in high school. Whether it was the overwhelming attendance of the homecoming football game, or the glittering atmosphere of the homecoming dance; we all have a memory.

For many, homecoming week may have created some of high school's most memorable moments.

As the Class of 2018 transitions from high school seniors to first-year college students, I have to wonder, what does homecoming mean to us now?

Surely we cannot expect

homecoming to be the same event that it was in high school. Is homecoming as celebrated as it was during our high school years?

USD has advertised Homecoming and Family Weekend as an event worth celebrating. It is a time to create your own college memories as a Torero with the Torero community.

Homecoming and Family Weekend begins on Oct. 10 with the Big Blue Bash. The day starts out with free carnival games, rides, and food. Then at night is the Homecoming Concert.

Oct. 11 is game day. Tailgate starts at 11 a.m. with activities for everyone. Kickoff is at 2 p.m. and the Torero's will take of the Stetson University Hatters.

Many freshmen are excited and expecting the unexpected for Homecoming and Family Weekend.

"I think homecoming at USD sounds like a great time," freshman Jared Green said. "I don't think it will be the same as it was in high school. Homecoming in high school was really small for me, I think it's going to be a much bigger experience and really fun. I hope it's a great time."

Even though we've been given a brief preview of what to expect for homecoming weekend it's hard to picture it.

As a freshman myself, I am not quite sure what to expect from Homecoming Weekend here at University of San Diego. There are many expectations that will be different in multiple ways.

In comparison to our previous experiences, but what will make homecoming special here? What will make it different from any other weekend event on campus?

From what I understand, there are a variety of events. From the USD Intramural Golf Tournament at Tecolote Canyon Golf Course, to kayaking and stand-up paddle boarding on Mission Bay, to the Homecoming Concert.

There are many exciting activities for students, their families and alumni to take part in.

Homecoming Weekend appears to have many exciting opportunities to make new memories as college students.

Freshman Taylor Knappe is looking forward to the variety of activities during Homecoming Weekend.

"I am very stoked about Homecoming Weekend because I can't wait to support my team and be a part of my school's festivities," Knappe said.

The only apparent differences from a traditional high school homecoming and a college homecoming is the lack of the big homecoming dance.

This week was Spirit Week at USD. Games and activities were set up around campus from tie-dyeing shirts to a water balloon fight.

Students formed teams to compete for points during the activities throughout the week. The winning team will be awarded a prize on Saturday at the game.

In addition, there will be a homecoming concert featuring a well-known artist Magic., which was not the case for my high school.

As for the traditional atmosphere of homecoming, the media promoting Homecoming and Family Weekend displays a variety of student participation and school spirit.

This weekend is held to high standards to bring back memories from our high school homecoming experiences.

Freshman Brooke Didyk is excited for the chance to see her family when they come to visit the campus for homecoming.

"I really miss my parents and I can't wait to show them around my new home," Didyk said.

Ultimately, as a freshman, I can only assume what homecoming will represent to the incoming Class of 2018. I don't entirely know what to expect from Homecoming and Family weekend here at University of San Diego.

Personally, I am looking forward to making new memories and forging new traditions at a homecoming in higher education alongside my fellow freshmen.



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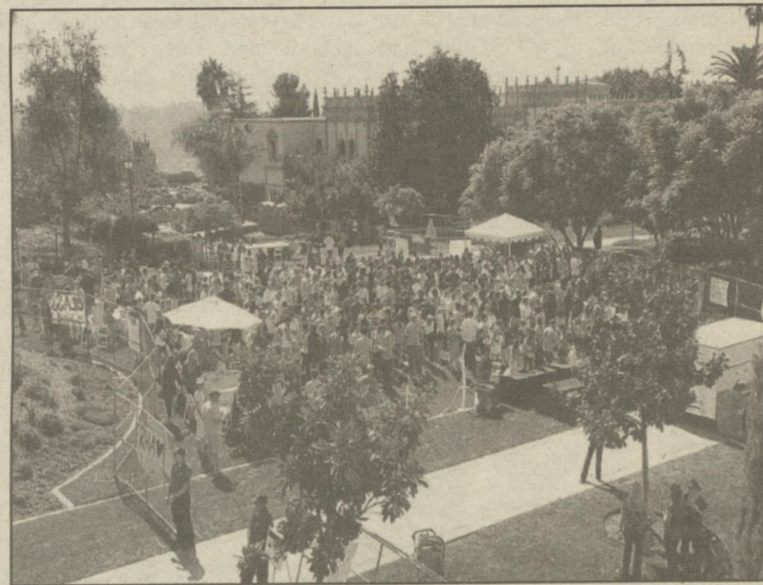


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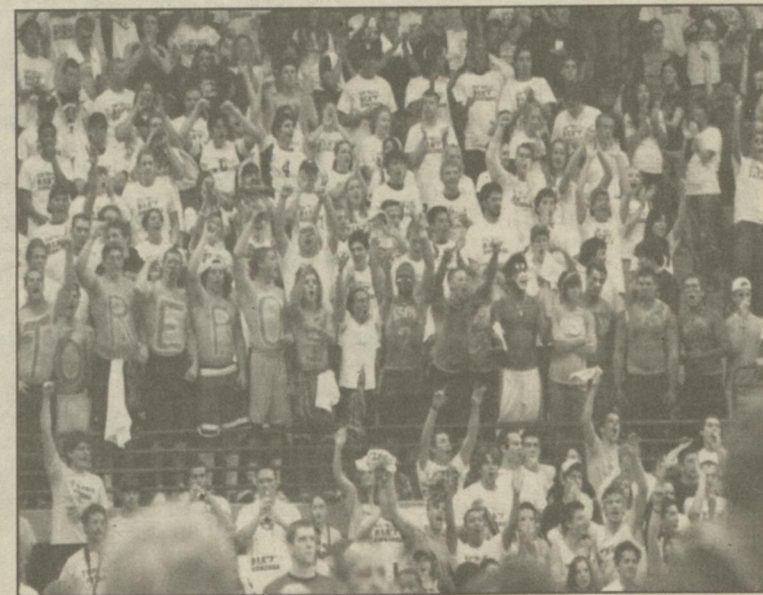


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# Alumni return for Homecoming

MAIA GARCIA-MUNRO  
CONTRIBUTOR

Now that we have reached October and we have settled into our busy lives at University of San Diego, we are in full preparation mode for the upcoming Homecoming and Family Weekend.

But what is Homecoming

and Family Weekend, and what does that mean to those who do attend these events and pay homage to their alma mater?

Students here at USD can attend numerous events all week, which are provided by Associated Students, as well as other organizations.

These upcoming events will celebrate Homecoming, promote

school spirit and prepare students, faculty, alumni and families for the anticipated football game on Saturday.

Alumni were asked to share their experiences at USD as well as answer a few questions regarding their attendance at Homecoming in the past.

After interviewing many alumni, and communicating with

them as well as the Alumni Center here on campus, it is clear that USD provides a great experience for students, family, alumni and faculty, one that is remembered with pride during Homecoming.

With such high attendance numbers for the Big Blue Bash and Homecoming in general, there's no doubt that our alumni have Torero pride, no matter

the program from which they graduated.

If you would like more information regarding homecoming for both students and alumni, visit [www.sandiego.edu](http://www.sandiego.edu) for the Homecoming week and Family Weekend event schedule, including details for the Big Blue Bash, tailgating and the football game.

## UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Tom Marvin

Tom Marvin, alumnus of the University of San Diego School of Law, received his master's in LLM Taxation from USD.

He is now experiencing Homecoming differently as both an alumnus of the university and a parent.

"I was 25 years old and working for a local San Diego law firm in 1988. They needed a tax specialist and knew USD law had an excellent tax program," Marvin said.

"Because of the nature of being a night student working full time as a lawyer, I did not get to enjoy many of the social aspects of attending USD. However, professionally, I did often meet other USD lawyers and tax specialists. It's a pretty small and tight-knit community relatively speaking."



Monica Padilla

Monica Padilla, a USD alumna from the undergraduate program, is currently an administrator for the law school.

She has attended Homecoming in the past and shared her memories and love for USD.

"USD is my home," Padilla said. "I stepped onto USD as an 18-year-old fresh out of high school and have yet to step off. I think that should explain how much I have enjoyed my experiences here at USD as a student, alumni and employee."

"Homecoming is an amazing time for everyone to come together as a community," Padilla said. "My favorite part every year is the concert. Having a special artist come to USD really makes the excitement of Homecoming that much greater."



Claudine Nehme

Claudine Nehme, an alumna from the undergraduate program at USD, shared about her experience at USD as well as her thoughts on USD's homecoming weekend.

"I transferred to USD after attending a community college," Nehme said. "USD was not only a beautiful campus but everyone was very welcoming and helpful. One of my favorite moments was when my dad came from Mexico as a guest speaker to give a presentation on one of his recent novels for our Spanish class."

Although Nehme has never attended Homecoming, she is hopeful for her attendance in the future.

"Unfortunately I never attended Homecoming. I actually didn't spend much time on campus because I commuted from the South Bay and worked in Normal Heights," Nehme said. "Hopefully one of these years I get the opportunity to attend Homecoming!"



Laurie Keller

Laurie Keller, alumna from the undergraduate program, and an administrator for the USD School of Law on campus spoke of her experience and involvement at USD.

"I was a transfer student and immediately felt at home at USD when I started," Keller said. "It was nice to be part of a small community rather than an overwhelming campus where you can get lost in the crowd."

As an administrator, Keller has had a different experience than most alumni with homecoming weekend.

"Homecoming is always a lot of fun and very well-organized," Keller said. "I'm sorry I didn't start attending sooner! I actually never attended Homecoming when I was a student, however, I have attended every Homecoming since I started working here three years ago. The alumni/employee tailgate party before the football game is always fantastic!"



Kathy Goodhart

Kathy Goodhart, who received her bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing from USD, shared her experiences at USD and her views on Homecoming.

"My experience at USD was one of the best choices and opportunities I have ever experienced," Goodhart said. "I found USD to be an amazing academic school with an ability to make it feel like a small school where everyone really was family. The students, professors and staff were always so easy to get to know."

Although Goodhart is unable to attend Homecoming this year, and has had conflicts in the past which prevented her from attending previously, she shared her views on USD-sponsored events.

"The activities that USD had were a really fantastic way to keep connected and meet new friends," Goodhart said.

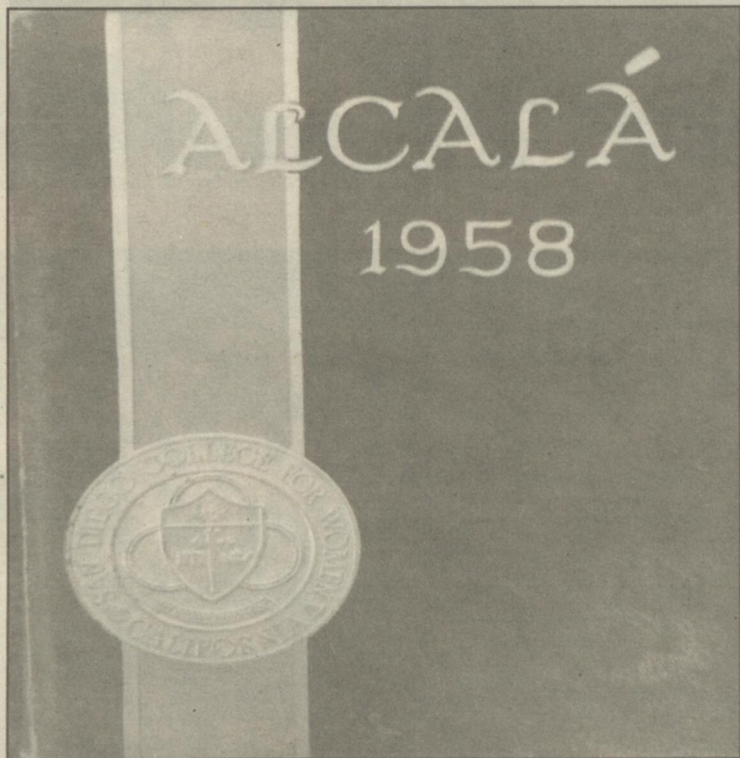


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Bringing out the 1958 Yearbook to look-back as Alumni return for the weekend.



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USD Alumni Support their school during Homecoming weekend with their class signs.



## Letter to the Editor: USD 'feral' cats

Dear Editor:

I have been an employee for 11+ years and wanted to share some facts.

Raccoons live in the gutters under the campus - they can be seen all over, especially at night, lounging in the fountains, spooking the students walking through the campus late at night who can't believe what they are seeing! They eat from the trash bins, and sometimes get trapped inside, making a call to Facilities or Public Safety necessary, to help remove them from the large bins. Employees drive up and park in the morning and see give raccoons up in the tree - next to the Hughes Admin building. Sometimes we see them hit in the street on Linda Vista. Yes - they are always foraging for food. They are a way of life at USD.

Feral cats don't start out feral. It only takes one kitten or cat left behind by someone who is well meaning who thinks it can "fend for itself eating the small rodents and birds" to start the cycle - and what is sad is so many times the cat left behind is not spayed or neutered. Cats are domestic - meaning they wait for a human caregiver to feed them. Yes - when starving - they do try and catch a mouse or a bird, but are not always successful and can get diseases from this source of food. They wake up every morning after hiding in a special place they have found on campus, and are hungry, cold or hot, thirsty, and on the lookout for predators.

Which leads me to my observations while employed at USD. There have been many caregivers over the years who have fed, trapped, reached out to friends and neighbors and found willing homes if they could be caught and prayed for these cats, and of course, fed them during the week, and on weekends and holidays. Many employees who don't personally leave the food have banded together by loaning traps and contributing food and money. Five cats that I know of have been caught/trapped on campus (I am sure there are others) and now have loving homes to care for them.

IPJ - Stray Gray, Peace Kitty, Shabby Tabby, Rhonda Immaculata - Leo

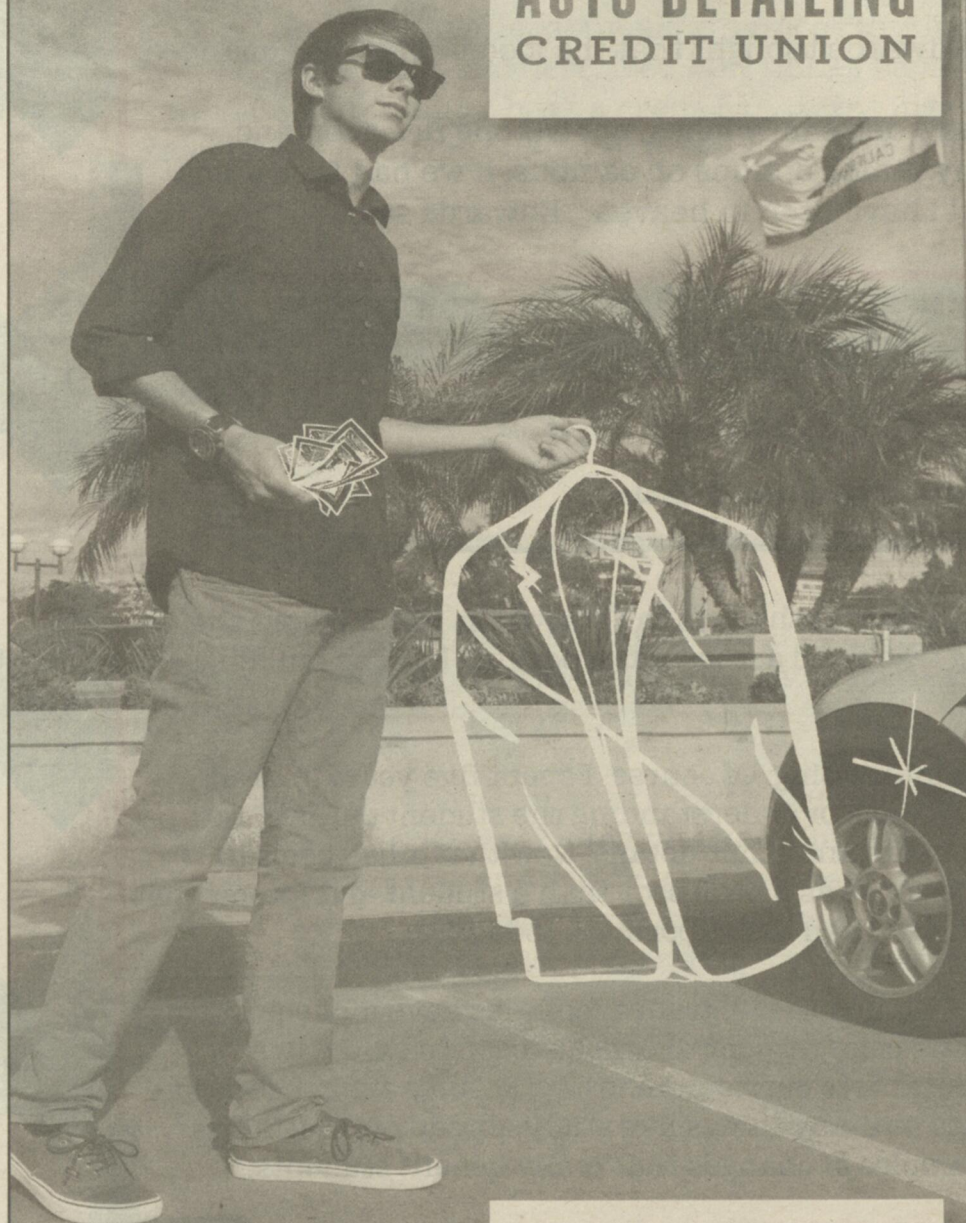
The goal of the USD caregivers is to catch the cats with the hopes of finding a good home. The county Animal Shelter is just down the hill at 5480 Gaines Street and is open Tuesday-Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Due to the nature of the campus, it is sometimes very challenging to set the traps and catch them because they are frightened.

Part of our responsibility as USD community members is to care for God's creatures, great and small. Please continue to pray for our USD cats in the hopes that they will find a loving home soon instead of constantly looking over their shoulder and being afraid.

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# Throwback Thursday

## USD Edition

As Homecoming quickly approaches, it is a time to reflect on USD's past and present. While some members of the USD community are just starting out their journey, others have been around for quite some time. Professors who have been here for decades remember a time without the SLP, when parties happened in Tecolote Canyon and you could drive straight through campus. While this may be in the past, the USD community has expanded and welcomed new Toreros every year for the past 65 years.

### Mark Edwards

Alumnus, attended USD from 1985 to 1989

#### Campus Structure Changes:

From his years here, Edwards remembered being able to drive right through campus, along the main street, where now we find fountains and grass. He also remembered a lot of construction going on in the Valley because housing in that area was being built.

#### Housing:

Currently, most people would agree that Mission Beach is one of the most popular, if not the most popular place for students who live off campus to reside. When Edwards was enrolled at USD, this was not the case; he claimed that the majority of students lived in random houses or apartment complexes within a mile of campus in the Linda Vista area. The land across the street from campus was occupied by the University of San Diego High School.

#### Food:

Of all the things that have changed at USD, Edwards thought that the food is what has changed the most.

"The cafeteria (now called SLP) had very basic deli sandwiches, not a stone fire oven and pasta bar. We also didn't have nearly as many dining options on campus; if we had La Paloma and Bert's BBQ when I went to school, I would have been in heaven," Edwards said.

### Kristin Moran

Professor of Communication Studies (1999-present), Department Chair  
B.A. Communication Studies at USD

#### Campus Structure Changes:

"Visually, the west side of campus looks much different than when I started in 1990. Where the IPJ is located was a grass field with a running track and across was a parking lot. The buildings ended at Olin and Copley."

#### Transition from Student to Professor:

"The transition from student to professor was interesting. Of course, I spent five years in grad school in between, but I definitely had the advantage of understanding the student culture. In terms of advising, I was familiar with requirements and other details. Now that it has been 15 years since I returned, I have much more experience as a professor than a student and I know that my undergraduate experience was much different than the experience today."

#### Beneficial Changes to USD:

"The physical beauty of the campus has remained and the upgraded facilities have made positive impacts on the student experience. USD's strong commitment to excellence in teaching has continued and the commitment to a strong liberal arts curriculum is key. Faculty are constantly working to improve the educational experience so many things like study abroad opportunities and the Learning Living Communities are examples of changes that really benefit students."

### Jacqueline Hammack

Has worked in USD's human resources department since the beginning of 2002.  
"USD has definitely changed and expanded for the better since I began working here," Hammack said.

#### Campus Structure Changes:

She reminisced on how SOLES used to be a parking structure and said they were just finishing up construction on the new building when she came to USD.

#### New Technologies:

In addition to more buildings on campus, Hammack says that the technology used within the various departments is exponentially better than it was when she first began working here.

She asserts that a new program called "Oracle," used as a platform for a database that USD uses, has been instrumental in making her job easier and more efficient.

#### Food:

Because her department is so close to Aromas, the coffee shop on campus, Hammack frequents it and described how things have changed. "Aromas was here when I started working but it didn't have a crepe bar. It was just the basic coffee and croissants," Hammack said. She loves being able to sit down and enjoy not only her coffee but also a delicious Nutella crepe.

### Larry Williamson

Professor of Communication Studies since 1982

#### Campus Structure Changes:

"On a clear day you could stand where the Peace and Justice Institute is today and watch fraternity parties on Fiesta Island, or turn north and participate in one in Tecolote Canyon. It was a less uptight place."

#### Memories and Traditions:

"Alcala-land was a sanctuary for those who didn't want to brave the masses at SDSU or the Marxists at UCSD. Back then you knew literally everyone. Which was a double-edged sword.

But it was and still is by my esteem, a very personable and relatively friendly place.

We sent memos. Used land lines, or shouted down the halls to communicate.

When you interacted it was analogic and in person, not digital and impersonal."

#### Campus Community then and now:

"The university really hasn't lost its essential friendly and welcoming character, it has just grown more complex and in the process more segmented, rationalized and thus impersonal.

So in many ways I miss the intimacy and simplicity that was USD 30 years ago. Just the lament of an old guy? Probably."



*Swipe left or  
swipe right?*



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Over the last few years, online dating has gone from cheesy commercials that people laugh at to something easily accessible on your smartphone. With the popularity of the free apps OkCupid and Tinder, anyone can match with a potential partner based on their area or common interests.

Although there is still a stigma on online dating, I think that if it works for you personally, then it shouldn't matter what people say about your relationship with the person you met on one of these sites. I'll be candid with my experience with Tinder; I was actually pleasantly surprised that there were people out there looking for relationships.

However, I would not call this app perfect; there are definitely a few flaws. First, and this could be the app malfunctioning or human error, but I am pretty sure I have received messages from people that I do not remember swiping right to. For those not familiar with the app, swiping left signifies disinterest in the potential match while swiping right signifies interest in the potential match. Also, some individuals can send some pretty creepy messages that they might perceive as funny, but for a girl in her 20s, it is super creepy.

Negatives and creepiness aside, I have had meaningful conversations with people and actually gone on a few dates.

The positive part is that usually there isn't too much first date awkwardness because you have had the opportunity to talk with them prior by using the instant messaging component of the app and were able to see the common interests you and the other person have.

In the two cases in which I have pursued multiple dates with Tinder matches, they both were in their mid-20s, had well-paying jobs and lived independently and comfortably.

This was refreshing to experience as the impression that I originally had was that people were on the app only to hook up and not to date. With this in mind, when you go to meet a Tinder match, meet in a public place and also tell your friends or roommates where you are going and what time you will come home, just for safety purposes.

The main takeaway that I got from my experience with using Tinder is to never judge a person until you get to know them and to give everyone a chance (as long as they're not creepy), because you never know if you will learn something new about the other person or about yourself.

# Torero Spotlight: Sparkle Couture

**CLAUDIA CLOSE**  
CONTRIBUTOR

One violin. Thousands of crystals and pearls. Twelve hours. One vision.

Chloe Spilotro, a junior at the University of San Diego, has been creating a variety of jeweled products since she was 12 years old. Ranging from tech accessories to shoes to license plate frames and even to a violin, starting Sparkle Couture by Chloe in 2006 came naturally.

"One of my mom's friends had a jewelry company and I wanted to get into it, but I took a different route. I got some flip flops and Swarovski crystals and just glued them on," Spilotro said.

When friends became interested and wanted to buy items from her, the business took off. Aside from jeweling flip flops and phone cases, Spilotro's company has recently transitioned into commission work. Because of the limited time commitment with school, she jewels what people ask her to, such as athletic shoes, makeup brushes and her favorite: a violin.

The violin she decorated helped her win a contest held by Dreamtime Creations, a company wholesale supplier for beads, crystals, rhinestones, trims and jewelry supplies. Spilotro submitted the violin into its Professor of Crystal Contest along with 500 other entries. The grand prize included a trip

to the Swarovski headquarters in Rhode Island, with airfare and hotel covered. Spilotro received a "Bible of Crystal" and training by the vice president of product development at Swarovski.

"Going to Rhode Island was like a dream; it did not feel real," Spilotro said. "Being on the East Coast for the first time was amazing."

Choosing to attend USD has helped the 20-year-old marketing and communications major learn a lot about business. She has found ways to help keep her business on track financially, especially because she has to pay taxes. She has also become more creative with her marketing strategies and found success.

Spilotro knew that USD was her dream school, but the deal was closed after she did an overnight stay.

"I sat in on three or four different classes and I fell in love with the academic environment that USD has to offer," Spilotro said. "That sealed the deal with me."

After graduating from USD, Spilotro plans to attend graduate school and keep her business going. While she has been wrestling with deciding the future of her company, she knows it has the potential to grow and become increasingly successful. However, it is hard to do that by herself. Spilotro recognizes that Sparkle Couture by Chloe could



Photo Courtesy of Chloe Spilotro  
Spilotro started her own line, Sparkle Couture, in 2006 and has been creating products like this jeweled violin.

really expand and become a brand people use to express themselves and feel happy.

Reviewers on Etsy gave Spilotro's company a review of four out of five stars. One customer said "This is a really great shop to work with." Another said that Spilotro is "Etsy's finest seller."

"Making customers happy is

the goal. [Sparkle Couture] has an element of class to it because I use Swarovski crystals and I bring a fun side to it with my designs," Spilotro said.

Spilotro hopes her personal touch and quality of her products is appreciated by her customers. She will continue to grow her business as she heads into her last couple years at USD.

The Vista's



Instagram  
of the week

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photographer?

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Think you know who  
it is?

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answer to  
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1. My hometown is Houston, Texas.
2. I went to Washington University in St. Louis.
3. I love classical music.
4. I lived in Europe for three years.
5. People on campus frequently mistake me for a student.

Answer from last week: Dr. Lisa Baird



# Magic! kicks off Homecoming Weekend

ABBY GENTRY  
CONTRIBUTOR

Homecoming weekend is filled with exciting events to entertain students, families and alumni. From the football game on Saturday, golf tournaments, kayaking and the Big Blue Bash, there will be no shortage of fun activities to last throughout the weekend. Each year, one of the highlights of Homecoming weekend is the Homecoming concert in front of the Hahn University Center. In years past, bands such as Imagine Dragons and Young The Giant have been the headliners, and this year the University of San Diego is excited to welcome reggae fusion band, Magic!.

The artist search for the Homecoming weekend concert is an almost five-month process where the TPB, Torero Program Board, begins to search for artists that are gaining popularity while still in the appropriate budget range. The process began this summer starting by emailing artist agents, campus booking agents and eventually narrowing down the list of appropriate and available artists. Bryan Patrick, the vice chair of media events for TPB, helped collaborate with different individuals on campus on choosing the band.

"Eventually we narrowed it down to Magic! being the best fit once they were

approved by administration," Patrick said. "Magic! gained a bunch of popularity over the summer and got a lot of radio play with the song 'Rude.' They also released their first album a couple months back and are about to go on tour with Maroon 5."

Artists that come to USD to perform must go through a vetting process by the school. Each band must be approved based on USD's core missions and values.

"These reviews look at artist image, media coverage, music content, lyrics, music videos and an overall fit for USD," Patrick said.

This process is stricter for the Homecoming concert as opposed to other events because it is such a family-oriented weekend. It is a lengthy and thorough process, which is why it is so important to start so early in advanced.

After almost five months of planning, the process is still going. Once the headliner is selected, then comes the contracting process where both the artist and the school must review all offers and contracts. The contract process involves a lot of back and forth between agents and the school, making the finalization process lengthy. TPB also works with the budget to make the concert a fun experience for both the performers and attendees.

"Not only does budgeting play a role in the selection of the performer, but budget also



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The popular band Magic! is set to perform for the 2014 Homecoming Big Blue Bash held on Friday Oct. 10.

determines how much can be spent on staging, production and lighting," Patrick said. "All [these] things make it a great show for students, not just [that] artists are performing."

While TPB is still waiting for contracting to be finished for the opening act, they are very excited about their selection along with

the student opener band, Sweet Talk. Several students were asked about the headlining act Magic! and there were positive responses from many students, especially with their enthusiasm about the hit song, 'Rude.'

"I'm super stoked and can't wait, these guys can jam and I can't wait to vibe to their song

'Rude,'" freshman Nick Hale said.

Five months in the making, the USD community is looking forward to welcoming the popular band on campus and make the homecoming concert one to remember. The event starts at 6 p.m. on Friday in front of the University Center.



## OCTOBER 10-12, 2014

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Take part in Spirit Week, the Big Blue Bash, Concert and Festival, the Tailgate and Picnic, Toreros Got Talent, Football Game and Closing Mass. Current USD students will be admitted to the Tailgate and Football Game with a valid USD ID. Lunch is included.

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## THE VISTA

## Pinstripes to publishing



**KEVIN KARN**  
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In spite of the Yankees missing the playoffs for only the third time in his career, Derek Jeter still found a way to make his mark on October. On Oct. 1, he launched his new website, "The Players' Tribune," a media source where fans can read pieces written by the star athletes they love. The idea is to cut out the middleman, and avoid any possibilities of athletes being misquoted or having their messages construed in a way that is misleading.

Jeter expanded on the purpose of the website in his inaugural post.

"I'm in the process of building a place where athletes have the tools they need to share what they really think and feel," Jeter said on his site. "We want to have a way to connect directly with our fans, with no filter."

I know what many of you are thinking: This already exists, it's called Twitter. As far as experiencing fan connection with no filter, that would be correct. However, as many athletes have figured out, the uncensored, ticking time bomb that is Twitter can be equally as destructive as it can be helpful in promoting one's image.

Jeter, a sporadic presence on the Twittersphere, is not talking about unfiltering his everyday thoughts for the world to see. He is creating a "Tribune," which suggests that it will be a medium for athletes to post well thought out articles on a variety of topics.

So far, the only two contributions to the site have been made by Jeter and Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson, two highly respected athletes who are known to lead by example and avoid the limelight. While Jeter's post was underwhelming and unrevealing (I'll give him a break since it was an introduction), Wilson spoke about domestic violence. The point of his article was to open up conversation about the huge issue while promoting his "Pass the Peace" campaign designed to raise money for the The National Domestic Violence Hotline.

Wilson's contribution to Jeter's site should be the blueprint for any athlete who writes for the "Tribune." He gives the public his views on a prevalent, prominent issue affecting his league. What is more significant is that he recognizes the issue as one that exists well beyond the scope of football and even offers a way to help.

Athletes must recognize that they have immense influence in our culture and a unique platform to initiate change. "The Players' Tribune" could prove to be the tool that empowers athletes to speak about issues they care about, and move from being leaders on the field to leaders in society.

## Pain and palliatives: examining the human condition

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This past Monday night, the University of San Diego hosted the book launch of Dr. Brian Clack's, "Love, Drugs, Art, Religion: The consolations of human existence." Clack, a philosophy professor at USD, published the book earlier this year and was able to speak to a standing-room only crowd of students and faculty regarding the main themes and topics in his book.

"The book is about the difficulties of the human condition, the pain and suffering of human life, and the strategies employed by humans to cope with the suffering," Clack said during the presentation.

The burning question of how humans deal with life's inevitable hardships was of particular interest to philosopher Sigmund Freud, who Clack largely credits as the inspiration for the book. Freud's belief that life is naturally very hard and extremely painful for everyone is highlighted in his treasured work, "Civilization and its Discontents."

"Life as we find it is too hard for us. It brings us too many pains, disappointments and impossible tasks," said Freud. "In order to bear it, we can't but dispense with palliative measures."

The choice of the word "palliative" is an intentionally provocative one, as Clack explains, because it suggests human's innate desire for coping mechanisms rather than a way to solve their actual problems.

"Palliative care is the care that you give to patients who are dying," Clack said. "You cannot cure them. So all you do is you

try to make them comfortable."

Outlined in Clack's title and theorized by Freud years ago, the four primary ways that humans seek comfort are with love, drugs, art and religion. While each one acts in a different way, they collectively make up the palliative measures that humans seek for temporary pleasure and relief. Within the book, Clack describes the consolations and complications that can arise from each palliative, especially with regards to religion and the way in which religious beliefs function for humans.

"For people who have a religious faith it gives them an enormous amount of consolation," Clack said. "That you will be reunited with those you lost. That any sufferings you have in this life will be compensated for in the afterlife. That there's someone watching over you."

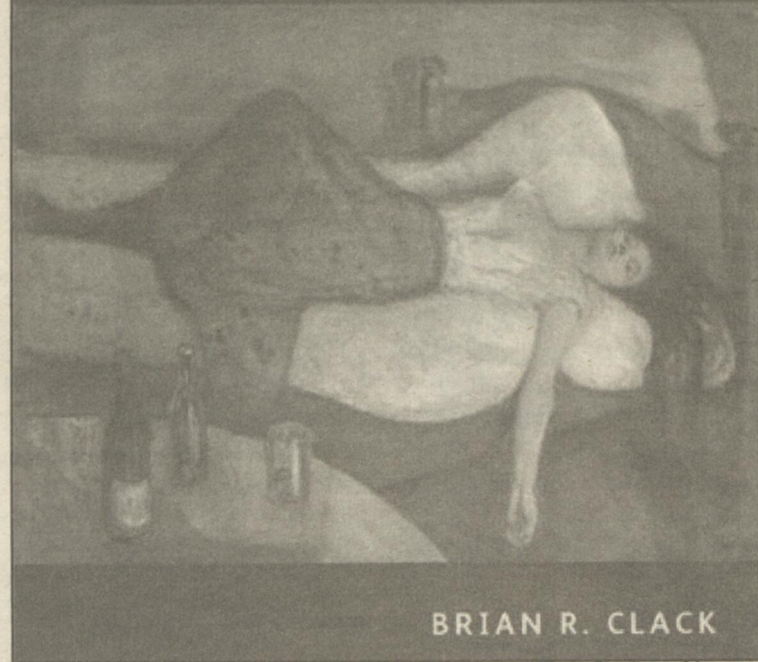
He is quick to point out, though, that Freud viewed religion in a much more problematic manner. He saw religion as a door to becoming credulous towards anything, stating that if people could believe some of the fundamental parts of religion, then they could believe anything.

Aside from religion, Clack also investigates the problems with relying on drugs or love to find comfort, noting that art is much more mild and therefore does not generally bring about pain.

"With the exception of art, the other ones have enormous problems," Clack said. "Drug use is the obvious one because people can become chronically intoxicated. Love, according to Freud, is a very high-risk strategy. You're never so vulnerable as when you love,

## Love, Drugs, Art, Religion

The Pains and Consolations of Existence



BRIAN R. CLACK

Photo Courtesy of Amazon

because your happiness is tied to someone else."

Whether it is in love or everyday life, almost everyone can relate to experiencing pain in their lives. The fact that the talk was so crowded is a testament to that idea, attracting faculty and students from all disciplines. Junior Miles Parnegg, one of Clack's students who attended the lecture, believes that students should have no issues connecting to the themes in the talk.

"It makes us reflect on where we seek pleasure and relief from the demands and stresses of everyday life," Parnegg said. "Especially as students where the workload

is significant and oftentimes overwhelming, Clack's research explores where we then turn to in order to avoid the inevitable anxieties over failure, rejection, or loneliness--or rather, where we look to temporarily alleviate the suffering."

Clack's discussion opened up the opportunity for students to think and talk about issues that do not often get discussed, particularly the struggles that people face. For those who wish to dive deeper into the questions surrounding life, Clack's book offers an in-depth analysis of the human condition that anyone can relate to. Copies can be found on Amazon and in the Torero Store.

## Arts &amp; Culture Calendar

<p><b>Kasabian</b> House of Blues 10/9 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Lorde</b> Cal Coast Credit Union Open Air Theatre 10/10 8 p.m.</p>	<p><b>USD Big Blue Bash</b> Featuring Magic! Torero Way 10/10 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Apollinaire en 1914, Soldat et amoureux</b> Camino Hall Shiley Theatre 10/11 7 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Ocean Beach Oktoberfest</b> Ocean Beach Pier 10/10-10/11</p>	<p><b>La Jolla Art &amp; Wine Festival</b> La Jolla Village 10/11-10/11 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Andrew McMahon in the Wilderness</b> House of Blues 10/14 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Annual Women PeaceMakers Panel</b> Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice Theatre 10/14 7 p.m.</p>

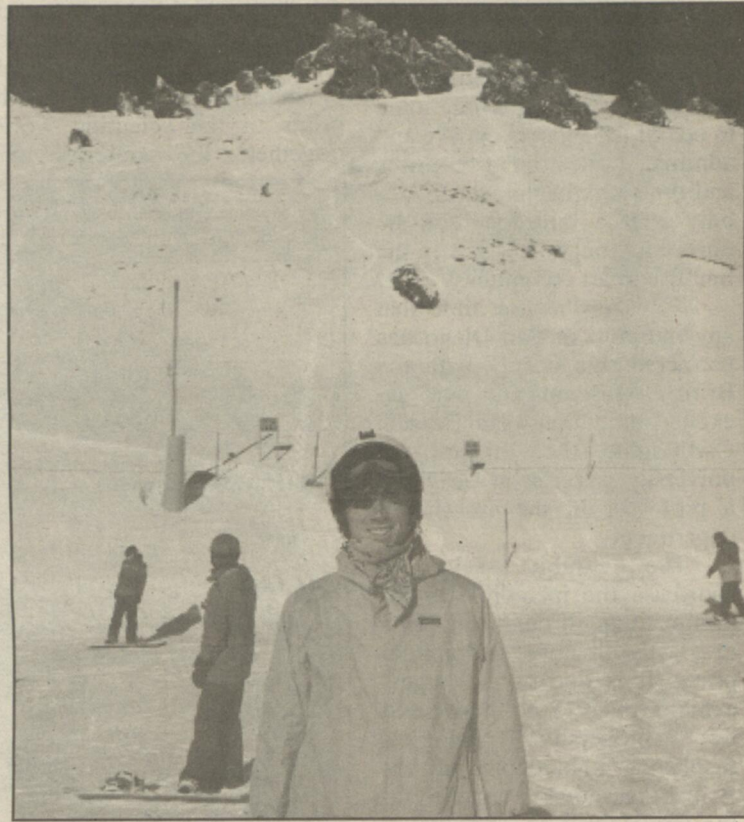
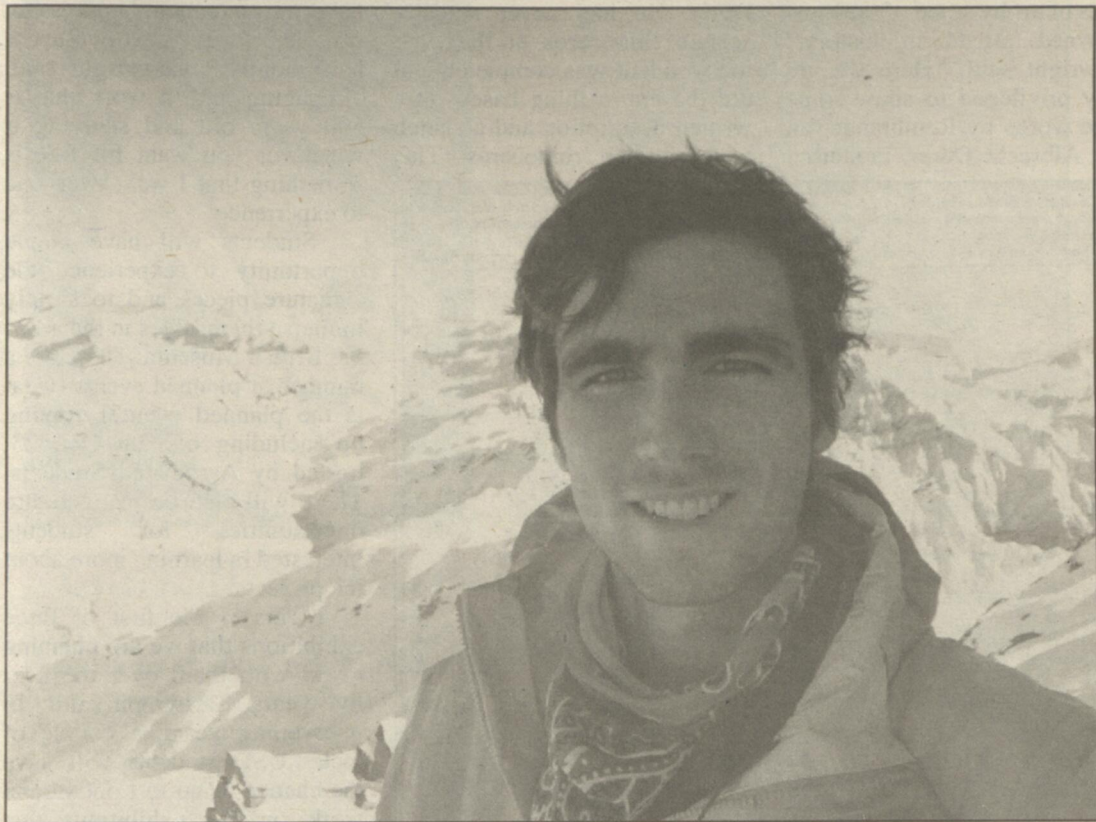
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# Notes from abroad: Toreros talk travel

*So many of our Toreros are studying abroad this semester. Each week we will feature two pieces written by students who are spending this fall overseas. Here are this week's submissions:*

## Spending your fifth and final year overseas in New Zealand



Photos Courtesy of Clay Mosolino

Senior Clay Mosolino finds enjoyment hitting the slopes on some of New Zealand's most majestic peaks and mountains.

### CLAY MOSOLINO CONTRIBUTOR

I'm a mechanical engineering major spending my ninth and final semester studying in New Zealand at the University of Otago. It took a lot of planning and hope to get to the point where I am writing this here from New Zealand, since it's not always easy for engineering majors to study abroad because of all of the required courses. I'm having the greatest semester here, and I'm definitely aiming to finish it strong by focusing on my classes. But, primarily, I'm enjoying what New Zealand has to offer.

Going to Otago is a big change from USD, though. The size of the campus and the number of students in lecture are the main reasons why. The

campus is beautiful with lots of Gothic revival architecture and an amazingly large central library. This supports the student body, which consists of over 22,000 students, making the campus very busy as well.

Also, it is the oldest university in the country, and ranked as the top in research. I am actually taking my general education requirements, so I'm studying art, philosophy, anthropology and religion. These are subjects that have nothing to do with my major, but I'm getting the chance to learn about topics unique to the university from some of the top experts in these fields. The professors I have are all fantastic, and while some of my lectures have over 400 students in them, I've gotten the chance to meet with each of my

professors, and they know me by name.

But, the real fun part of studying abroad is the overall adventure. I've wanted to come to New Zealand for at least four years now, because I wanted to meet Kiwis (New Zealanders), go hiking (here it's called tramping), clamber through glow-worm caves, see Hobbiton, ski at Treble Cone, make new friends, and visit Fiji since it is close by. I have done all that and more, and there's still even more to do.

I have to say that just about every Kiwi I meet is incredibly friendly and down to have fun. The country they live in is stunning, and it has everything from beaches to mountains, rainforests, lakes, rivers and volcanoes. Fortunately, there are tons of tracks to explore, and I've

checked out a few.

While this was a poor winter season for skiing, I'm never going to forget what it was like on that mountain peak at Treble Cone, looking at the valley and mountain ranges beyond which was a real dream come true.

The best part of studying abroad for me has been making new friends. There are many international students at Otago. About half are American students, and the rest are a mix from all over the rest of the world. My best friends are from Brazil, and Denmark. Some are my flatmates, and others are people I've met through them. Together, we've gone on a lot of trips to places like Queenstown, Christchurch and even Fiji. Our different backgrounds mean that we each bring something unique

to the table. Because of each other's open-mindedness, we're able to bridge funny cultural gaps to have some really awesome experiences, like a Danish Christmas lunch, or a party thrown by Brazilians. We might be different in some ways, but we realize that as people we still need the same things and have the same goals in life.

Going abroad is the best choice I have made in my nine semesters as an undergraduate student at USD. I'm thankful for the help of everyone who made this adventure possible, including my advisors and the study abroad office. As an engineer, it was not easy to make it happen, so my advice is to plan out your years at USD carefully and don't give up if you have a strong desire to go overseas. Cheers.

## Priory rocks the House of Blues with their new summer anthem

### SARA BUTLER MANAGING EDITOR

Driving through Pacific Beach on a Friday night, Priory's "Weekend" blasts from the speakers, serving as a college anthem for a USD night out.

"And all the kids now, they come runnin'; It's the weekend. And all the parents, they keep callin'; But there's no answer, 'cause it's the weekend."

Priory is a musical duo based out of Portland, Oregon. Front men Brandon Rush and Kyle Sears joined forces to form the band 10 years ago, but were recently signed to Warner Bros. Records earlier this year.

Their new hit single, "Weekend," has made waves across radio stations and college campuses. The track is a best described as an upbeat alternative sing-along, fusing catchy lyrics

with powerful beats.

The inspiration for "Weekend" stemmed from past experiences.

"We can all relate to the idea of working all week in a job we hate and living in a state of discontent," Sears said. "I know for Brandon and I, we were working regular, good-paying day jobs and gave those up to create this album. The song is about marginalization of the working class and the fact that we all need a place to act out to make us feel better. We have seen so many people make it their personal anthem, not just for the weekend, but for their whole week."

Rush and Sears met at a music show in their Pacific Northwest hometown. Music has always been a major part of both of their lives, inside and outside of the classroom.

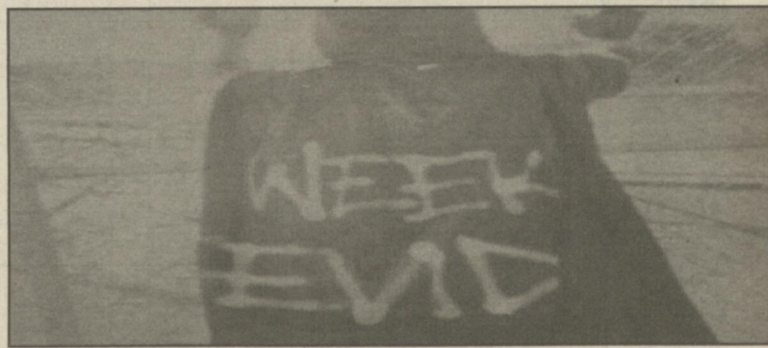
"I studied jazz for a bit in

school, both upright bass and guitar," Rush said. "As far as other musicians that inspire me, I have always loved the great front men: Strummer, Mercury, Bowie [and] Bolen. I also have a vinyl record collection of over 3,000 titles. As a band, we pretty much listen to music 24/7 while on tour."

For Rush, playing music was also a big part of growing up.

"My dad is a musician; I received my first guitar when I was 10 and never stopped playing," Rush said.

Currently, Priory is on tour with headliner The Kooks and special guest Hasley. The trio paid a visit to San Diego to perform at the House of Blues in downtown on Friday, Sept. 26. The sold out show drew in a diverse crowd, but the majority of the attendees were college-aged, including many USD students.



Photos Courtesy of Amazon

Go to iTunes and make sure to grab Priory's single, "Weekend."

"We end the tour with The Kooks in a few weeks and will be hitting a bunch of cities on our way back to the Northwest," Sears said. "We will be back in San Diego at the end of the month to play a booze cruise for an alternative station. Hope to see you there!"

Their upcoming EP comes out on Oct. 14, and can be

purchased on iTunes. It is a culmination of their past few years spent in the studio.

"We have worked on these songs for well over a year," Rush said. "I honestly feel connected to all of them. 'Big Love' is my favorite to play live right now. We will be out on tour for the next few years promoting this record all around the world."



# Let me see it in print: the beauty of the “Beasts”

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On Friday, Oct. 3, the University of San Diego unveiled its brand new, groundbreaking art exhibition, “Curious Beasts: Animal Prints from Dürer to Goya.” This ambitious project marks the start of a five-year partnership with the British Museum, home to one of the most extensive and admired collections of prints and drawings in the world. Not only is it a milestone for the university, but it is a first in the San Diego art community.

“This is the first time that any museum in San Diego has partnered this deeply with the British Museum and we are excited about that,” said Derrick Cartwright, the director of university galleries at USD and a professor in the art history department.

The exhibit seeks to showcase the incredible art of printmaking through the lens of beastly creatures and animal prints. It is one of the largest exhibits ever to be showcased by university galleries, displaying the depth of the British partnership as well as the university’s commitment to improving its own collection.

“[It] is an exhibition of more than 80 works of art that was organized by the British Museum,” said Cartwright. “We added about 15 of our own prints to their presentation, along with some natural science specimens from the San Diego Natural History Museum so that

the USD presentation is unique.”

The large collection of works is divided between the Hoehn Family Galleries in Founders Hall and the Fine Art Galleries located in the Joan B. Kroc Institute of Peace and Justice. The four sections of the exhibit will highlight key aspects relating to the animal prints such as the symbolic representation of animals and the role of the prints in the scientific world. Together, the galleries will

offer insight into humanity’s deep-rooted curiosity with the animal kingdom through prints that span several centuries and feature some of the history’s greatest artists.

“Students can come to the galleries and encounter original works of art by some of the most renowned artists in history,” Cartwright said. “Here we are really privileged to show some of the works by Rembrandt van Rijn, Albrecht Dürer, Francisco

Goya, George Stubbs and many other leading artists from the 15th through the 19th centuries.”

Among the works present are some very famous and signature pieces, including, “Dürer’s Rhinoceros,” an iconic woodcut by artist Albrecht Dürer. He had never actually seen a rhinoceros at the time the woodcut was completed and did the entire thing based on a written description and a sketch of an Indian rhinoceros. This

helps to explain the animal’s armor-like skin in the woodcut and embodies the central themes of curiosity and discovery present in the exhibit.

“Dürer’s ‘Rhinoceros’ is one of the most celebrated woodcuts of all time and we have an excellent impression of it here for the next two and a half months,” Cartwright said. “Engaging with a work that is 500 years old and studying it whenever you want for free is something that I want everyone to experience.”

Students will have ample opportunity to experience the signature pieces and to simply immerse themselves in the art of the British Museum. There are a number of planned events (what is the planned event?) coming up including one on Oct. 23, hosted by Associated Students. There will also be many future opportunities for students interested in learning more about the projects.

“This is the first of three exhibitions that we are planning to do with them over the next five years, Cartwright said. “In intervening years, a couple of lucky USD students will have the chance to go to London and work on the exhibitions that will travel here. This amounts to an experience that rivals the best museum training on any American college campus. I am proud that we can do this at USD.”

This project will offer a lot of great chances for art students and any students to see world-class art here at USD.

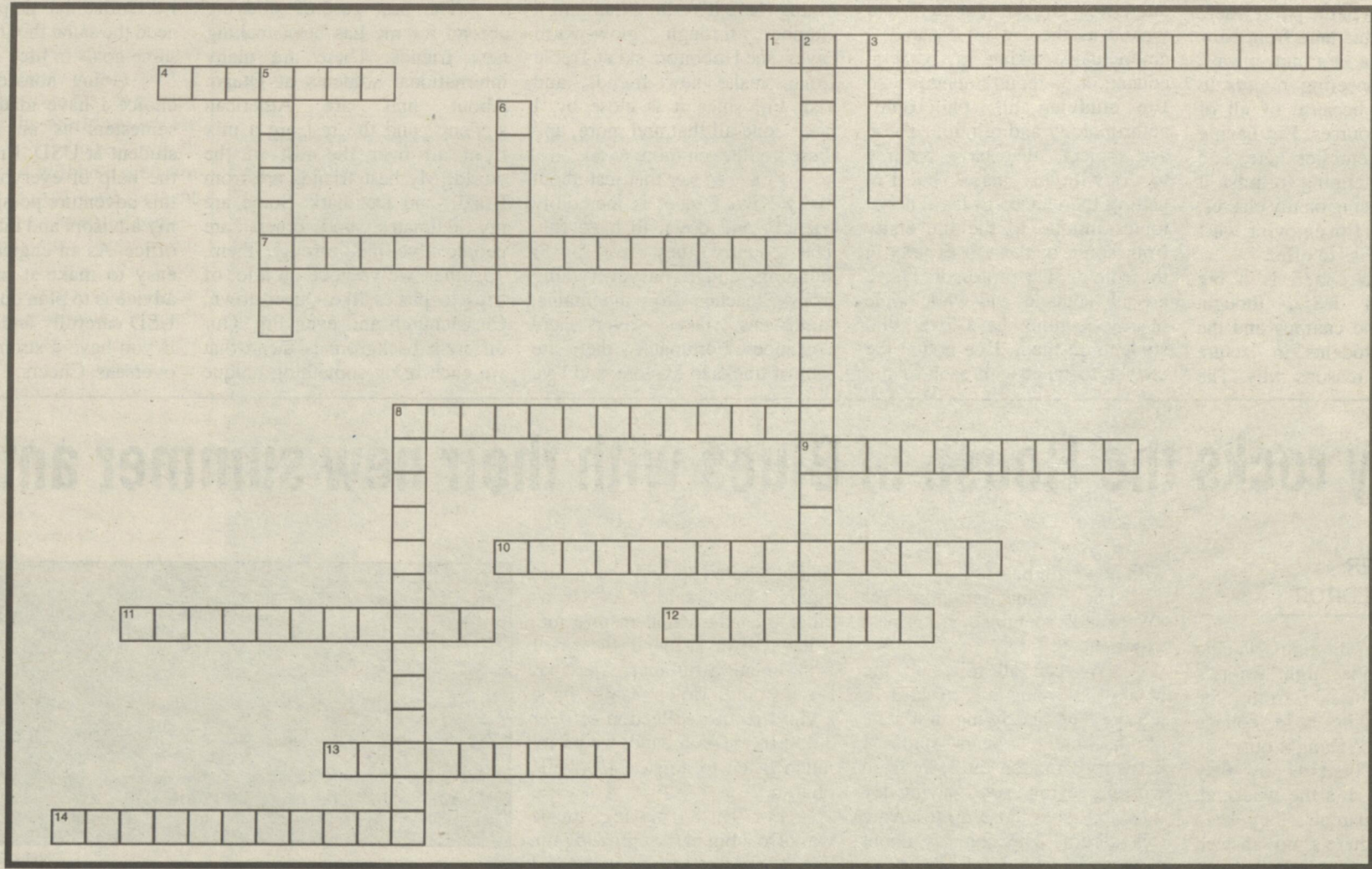


Photos Courtesy of The British Museum

Stop by the Hoehn Family Galleries and see the print of the world-famous “Dürer’s Rhinoceros.”

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7. Don’t forget to give back to this scholarship fund
8. Reserve a table on Friday for dinner at this five-star restaurant
9. Kayak and paddleboard here before the football game
10. Contact this office with any questions
11. Find carnival games and rides here
12. The breakfast after closing Mass is here
13. The street which will be home to the concert
14. Event holding the Torero Parents of the Year Award ceremony

Down

- 2 The organization that plans the Bash
- 3 The number of bands playing the Homecoming concert
- 5 Event on the valley field held before the football game
- 6 Band playing at Homecoming weekend
- 8 Enjoy a 9 a.m. kayak session here



# Toreros Got Talent: preview and information

*This Saturday, the Student Alumni Association will be debuting a new competition during the Homecoming Tailgate: Toreros Got Talent! Here are a few of the performers you can see there:*



Photo Courtesy of Garrett Stollar

## Garrett Stollar

Performing original songs by a young buck Oregonian who likes to sing, play music and write songs.

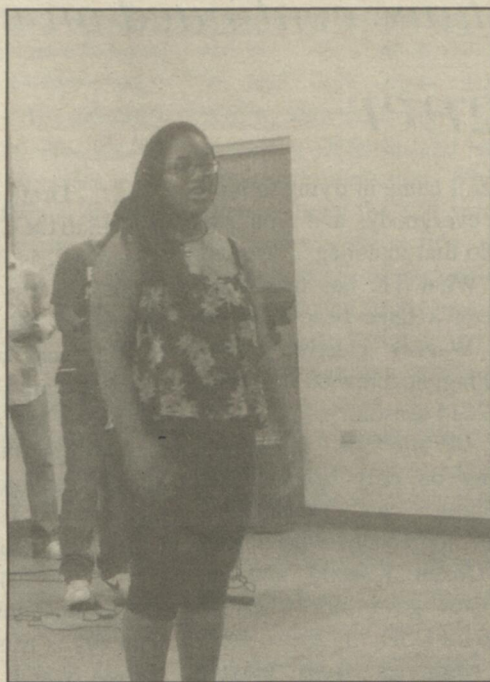


Photo Courtesy of Chelsea McLin

## Chelsea McLin

Performing a spoken word poem by Sarah Kaye called "If I Should Have a Daughter." It's a declaration of all the things she promises to teach her future daughter about the world.

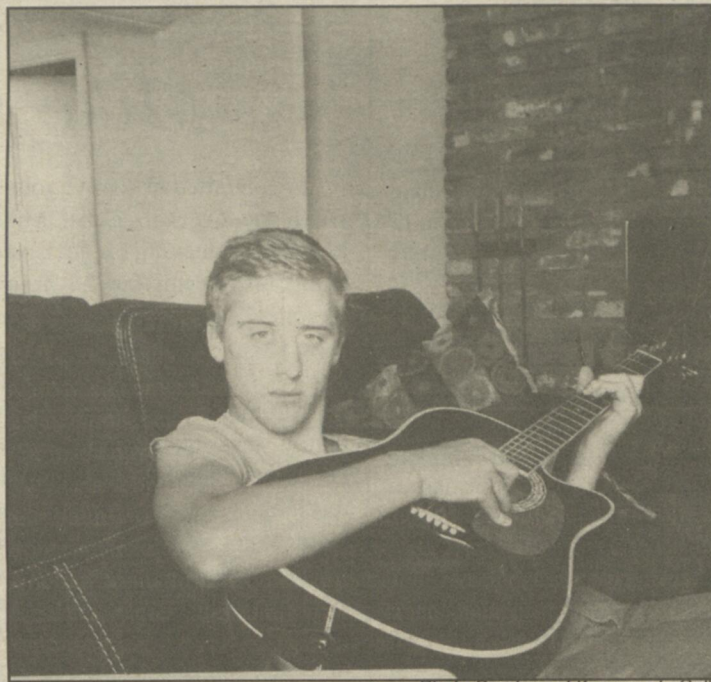


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## Kam LaCalli

Also bringing an array of talent from the great state of Oregon, he will be performing original songs while looping guitar with a loop pedal.

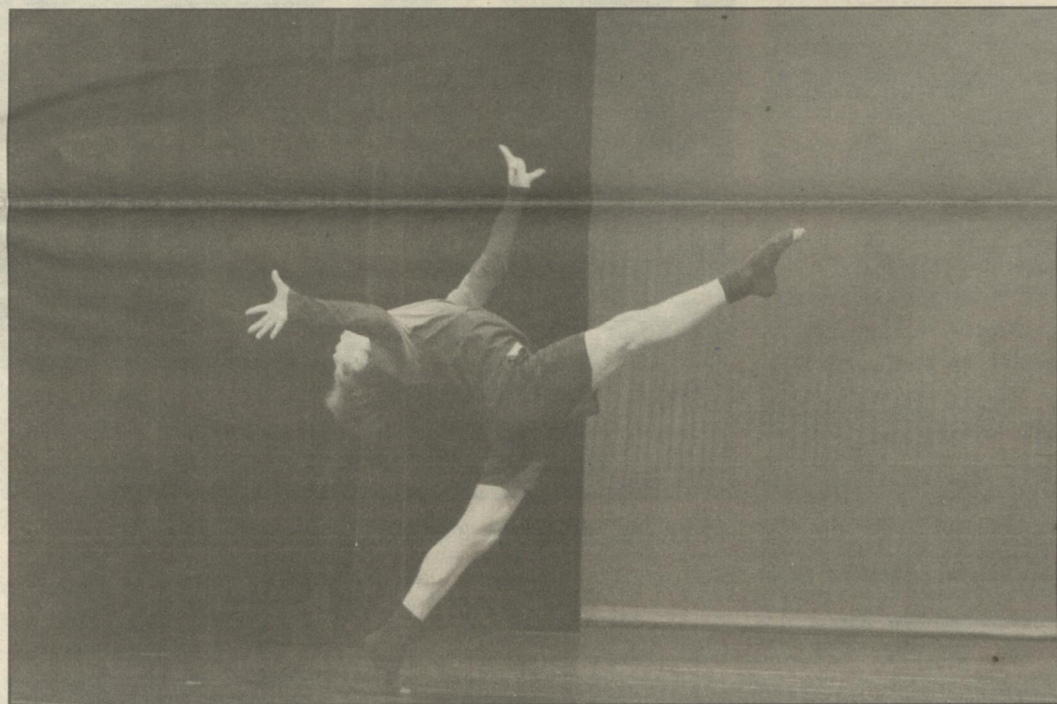


Photo Courtesy of Crash Ketcham

## Crash Ketcham

Will be performing a dark contemporary piece about the feeling of being trapped, called "Captured."



Photo Courtesy of FAMA

## Folklorico and Mariachi Association

FAMA will be performing ballet folklorico, the traditional Mexican folkloric dance. The song we will be performing is called Los Machetes, from the region of Jalisco. It is an interactive song where the men dance with machetes which is symbolic for those who would use machetes in the fields many years ago.

## Toreros Got Talent

### When:

Saturday, Oct. 11 at 11:30 a.m.

### Where:

Athletic fields in the Valley (Missions)



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## People of the Islands (POI)

Will be performing a traditional Cook Islands dance to the song Fakateretere. Through lyrics and movement, this dance describes the feeling of being in love and the lush beauty of the islands.



## Weekend Madness



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If you are a college football fan, the remaining two months of the season just got a lot more interesting. Unless you were hiding under a rock this weekend, you probably heard about the catastrophic weekend that just occurred. Whether it was last second touchdown passes, game winning field goals, or complete blowouts, this weekend had it all. I got the urge to write about college football after No. 2 Oregon Ducks lost at home to the University of Arizona Wildcats, but thought I should wait until the weekend was over. Boy was that a good decision.

Honestly, I wasn't very surprised when the Ducks lost on Thursday night because the Wildcats are very talented this year and also because Oregon always seems to fall just short of a Championship. Every year college football analysts predict that this will finally be "Oregon's year" but they always fall just short with a heartbreaking loss during the regular season. Well this time, they were not alone. The Southeastern Conference is completely loaded with Championship-caliber teams, but somebody has to lose when they play against each other for half of the season.

The day started off with a barn-burner when the No. 6 Texas A&M Aggies traveling to Mississippi to take on their SEC opponent No. 12 Mississippi State Bulldogs. The Bulldogs ran over the Aggies 48-31, commencing what would be one of the most chaotic days in the last decade for this sport. Across the state, the No. 11 Ole Miss Rebels upset the powerhouse that is the University of Alabama, resulting in pandemonium so wild that the goal posts were ripped out of the ground by crazed fans.

Just as No. 8 UCLA lost 28-30 at the University of Utah, their archrival in the USC Trojans had their season ripped out from under them as well. In what will go down as one of the most memorable plays in Arizona State Sun Devil history, wide receiver Jaelen Strong caught a 50-yard touchdown pass as time expired to shock Trojan Nation.

After roughly six hours of such madness, the No. 5 Auburn Tigers may have had the most impressive win of the day. The Tigers absolutely embarrassed the No. 15 Louisiana State University Tigers 41-7, alerting the nation that their National Championship appearance last season was not just a fluke.

Ultimately, tensions have risen and the pressure is on, creating a perfect storm for the rest of the season. The Arizona Wildcats made the biggest jump in the rankings from unranked to No. 10 in the country. The No. 1 Florida State Seminoles better watch out, because there's something in the water this year and nothing is for certain after what ensued on Oct. 4. Welcome to October!

# SPORTS

## THE VISTA

# Former Toreros in the Pros

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*Where are they now? A look at Torero athletes who have continued on in their baseball careers*

## Mike Wagner

Drafted in 2013 in round 16 to the Chicago Cubs, Mike Wagner is achieving his goals and living his dream, but he hasn't forgotten who helped him get there.

"Getting drafted was an extremely happy time for my family and me. Anytime you get to take another step towards reaching your goal is a good moment for you and those close to you," Wagner said. In 2014 Wagner pitched 28 games, had an IP of 61.1 and a 3.23 ERA in A-full for the Kane County Cougars. He ended his season with winning the Western Conference Championship.

During his time at USD, Wagner remembers the influence that his coach, TK or Coach Kincaid, had on his career as a pitcher. "On the field TK taught me to be a pitcher and not a

thrower. I came in trying to blow it by everybody, and you just can't do that in college," Wagner said. "What TK has taught me has been a huge benefit in pro ball." Wagner clearly learned something; he threw 60 strikeouts in his 2014 season.

While he is loving focusing on only baseball and developing his mechanics, Wagner appreciates what Coach Hill, Coach Kincaid and his teammates gave him when he pitched for USD. "I have so many fond memories from playing here but the two that stand out are winning the conference championship junior year and all the rallies we would do in the dugout just to be obnoxious. It was stuff like those rallies that made it obvious that playing for USD was more fun than playing anywhere else," Wagner said.

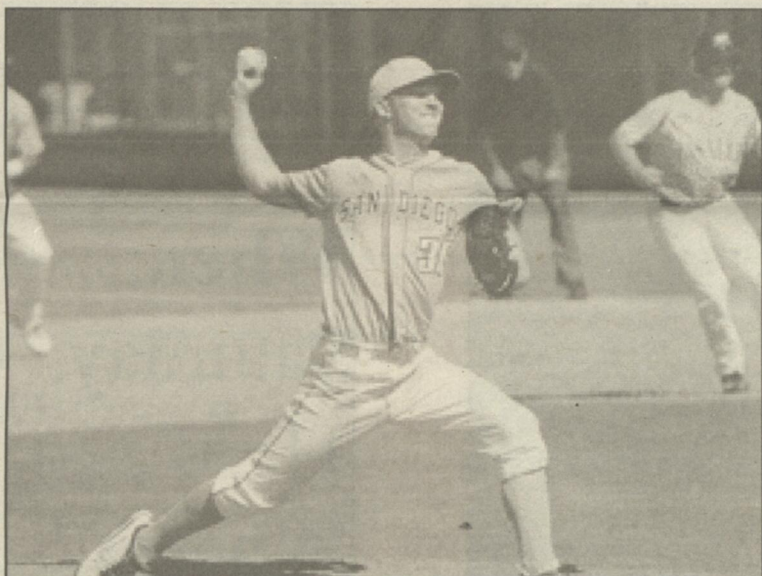


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Starting pitcher Mike Wagner had a successful career as a Torero.

## Dylan Covey

Dylan Covey was drafted in 2013 in the fourth round to the Oakland Athletics. A pitcher, Covey has had a total of 40 game appearances with 8 wins, 7 of those just in his 2014 season. Covey had a 5.46 ERA, appeared in 26 games, threw 92 strikeouts this past season and had an IP of 140.

On August 28, 2014, Covey almost accomplished a no-hitter while pitching for A-Advanced team the Stockton Ports. Pitching seven innings without a hit and seven outs away, he gave up a single in the seventh with two outs to go.

Covey was originally drafted in 2010 in the first round to the Milwaukee Brewers out of Maranatha High School, but was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes and instead enrolled at USD. With a good training at the school and support from family, friends and university staff, Covey has become the A's No. 11 prospect since being drafted in 2013. He's

since got 2 complete games under his belt and only allowed 5 HR in his 2014 season. He is happy and has proven successful with his decision in 2010 to play ball at USD.

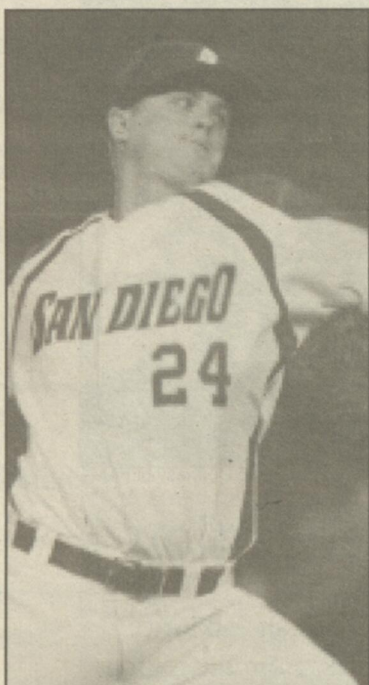


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Starting pitcher Dylan Covey

## Kris Bryant

Drafted in the first round in 2013 to the Chicago Cubs, third baseman Kris Bryant's career has taken off. Bryant was recently named the Minor League Player of the year and received the Joe Bauman Home Run Award hitting a total of 43 HR this year and leading the minors. Bryant also led the minors in extra-base hits. He was honored at Wrigley field on September 17.

In 2014, Bryant played a combined total of 138 games with 492 at bats; he batted a .325 for the overall season. To begin his season Bryant hit a .355 in 68 games with 22 HR and 61 RBI at double-A Tennessee. Bryant was called up to triple-A on June 19 to

the Iowa Cubs where he became the first player in the franchise's history to hit a home run for each of his first five hits. He hit a .295 with 70 game appearances, 21 HR and 52 RBI.

Bryant was selected by the Toronto Blue Jays in the 18th round of the 2010 draft out of Bonanza High School in Las Vegas, Nevada but chose instead to play college ball at USD, leading to his first-round pick in 2013.

Bryant was roommates with Mike Wagner and Dylan Covey, both USD alumni and both also drafted in 2013 to the Chicago Cubs and the Oakland Athletics respectively.

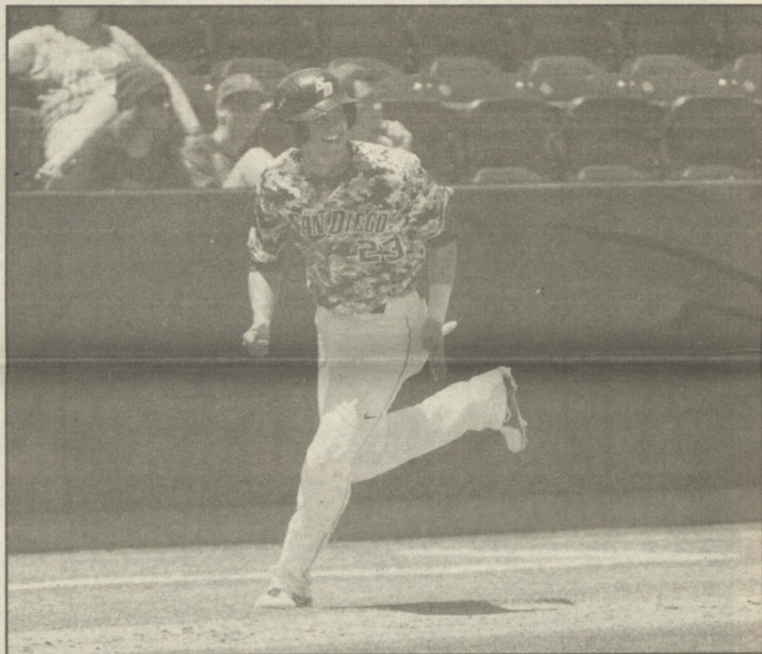


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Kris Bryant was the 2014 Minor League Player of the Year.

## Zach Walters

As a sophomore at USD, second baseman Zach Walters led the Toreros batting average at a .377. Walters has since played for the Cleveland Indians and the Washington Nationals in the MLB. Walters had played on a total of six teams in his minor league career since being drafted in the ninth round to the Arizona Diamondbacks in 2010. He had a total of 523 game appearances, 1962 at bats, scored 295 runs, had 553 hits, 71 HR and 292 RBI with an overall average of .282.

Walters was acquired by the Washington Nationals in 2011 and from 2011-2013 he batted a .205, hit 3 HR, had 5 RBI and played in 32 games for the Syracuse Chiefs. From the Nationals, Walters was traded to the Cleveland Indians.

In his 2014 season with the Columbus Clippers Walters batted a .310, hit 17 HR, had 56 RBI and made an appearance in 67 games. Previous to his trade, Walters had some frustration after not having consistent playing time with the Nationals over a 27 game stint. He seemed to be gaining comfort with the trade though; in his debut in August he

started off the second inning with a double and then later hit two singles.

Among Walter's many accolades he has won the MiLB.com Organization All-Star award twice in 2010 and 2013 when he played for Arizona and Washington and he also won the Joe Bauman Homerun Award in 2013 also while playing for Washington.

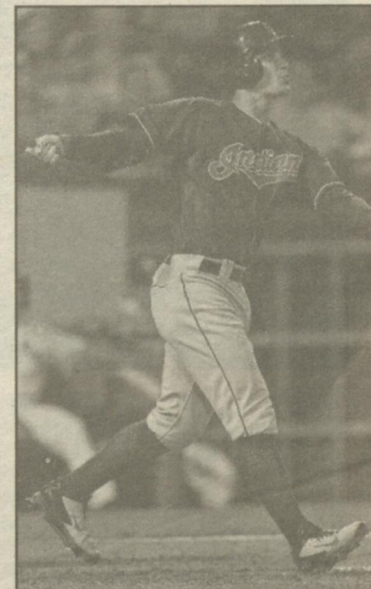


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Infielder Zach Walters



# Torero football ready for Homecoming

## USD focused on beating the Stetson Hatters

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The University of San Diego football team just recently had a bye week after defeating the Marist University Red Foxes 20-16 in Poughkeepsie, New York, two weeks ago. The win came in dramatic fashion on a tremendous game-winning touchdown by senior wide receiver Reggie Bell with just 15 seconds remaining. With the win, the Toreros have momentum heading into this weekend's Homecoming showdown against the Stetson University Hatters.

Coming off of a bye week, the Toreros have had plenty of time to rest and prepare for the upcoming challenge.

Bell attributes the team's careful preparation to their recent success.

"Preparation for any opponent starts on Monday with film study. Knowing your opponents' tendencies gives you an advantage on Saturdays, especially on the perimeter being a receiver," Bell said. "It's good to know defensive guys' techniques so you know how to attack their weaknesses, which will give you the upper hand."

Stetson currently holds a 2-3 record, matching their win total from all of last season. USD beat the Hatters 59-0 last season on the road, but a lot of improvement can be made in the span of a year. Stetson University brought back their football program last year, meaning that the players were very young but have a year of experience under their wing.

Senior safety Troy McClelland recognizes that this team should not be overlooked despite the huge win last season.

"They have some speed on offense, and ran a kickoff back against us last year. We can't overlook them and can't fall into a trap coming off of a bye week," McClelland said. "We watched film yesterday and they played well against Butler who is a contender in our league, so they have definitely improved."

Stetson just lost to defending Pioneer Football League co-champion Butler University 41-49, proving that they have the ability to compete with the league's best. Sophomore quarterback Ryan Tentler leads the Hatter's offensive attack, compiling 741 passing yards this season and seven touchdowns. He has thrown seven interceptions, which should be a cue for the Torero defensive backs to pay attention to and possibly take advantage of. Sophomore running back Cole Mazza gets a majority of the carries in the run game and has had success in the previous two games. He has two straight games with over 100 yards rushing, while also scoring two touchdowns on the season.

The Hatters have struggled on defense thus far, but do have a tricky defensive scheme that has the capability of confusing offenses. Their game plan is very risky, which might be an indicator as to why they have given up 186 points in just five games.

Junior offensive lineman Pono Keni understands what their strategy is, and what the Toreros need to do to be successful.

"They play Cover 0 or Cover 1 because they trust their corners to cover the best receivers in the league," Keni said. "This means that they're rushing seven or eight against the quarterback so there is always going to be one guy running loose at the quarterback that needs to be accounted for. That's the most

difficult thing that Stetson does."

Unfortunately for the Hatters, the Toreros have two of the best receivers in the league in Bell and senior Brandon White, who both know how to exploit a defense and execute plays with perfection. White has 17 receptions for 326 yards and three touchdowns this season, while Bell has 14 receptions for 354 yards and four touchdowns. The team's preparation both mentally and physically is the key to success.

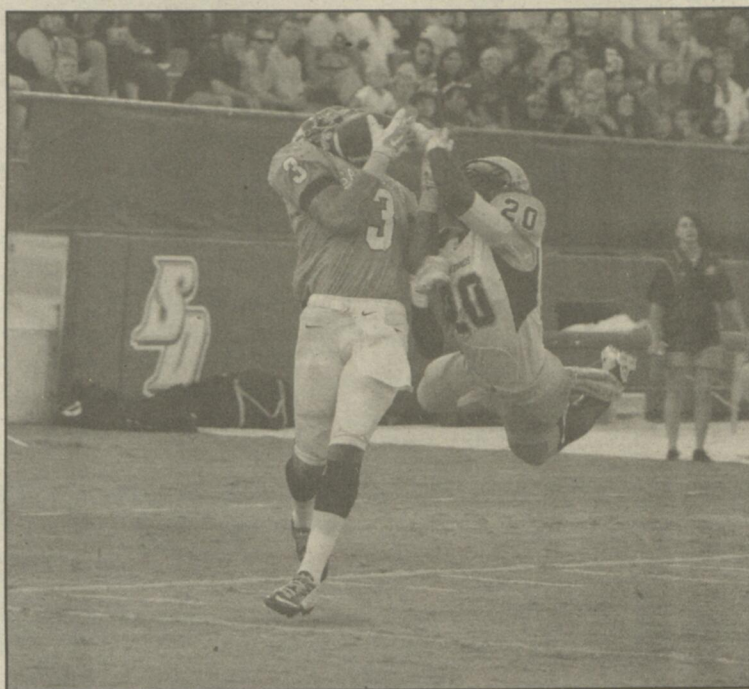
As a senior, Bell knows what it takes to win and it is a constant focus throughout the entire season.

"Hydration is also a huge part of your preparation," Bell said. "Making sure your body is prepared and hydrated is key in making sure you can perform at peak performance for 60 minutes."

The Toreros are currently 3-1 and hope to win this Homecoming game against Stetson in a step towards the overall goal. Since the Toreros were unable to participate in the playoffs last season because of scholarship allegations, the team hopes to show everyone that were deserving of a playoff chance last year and will continue to succeed this year. Keni knows that it is important to take care of each week without looking too far down the road.

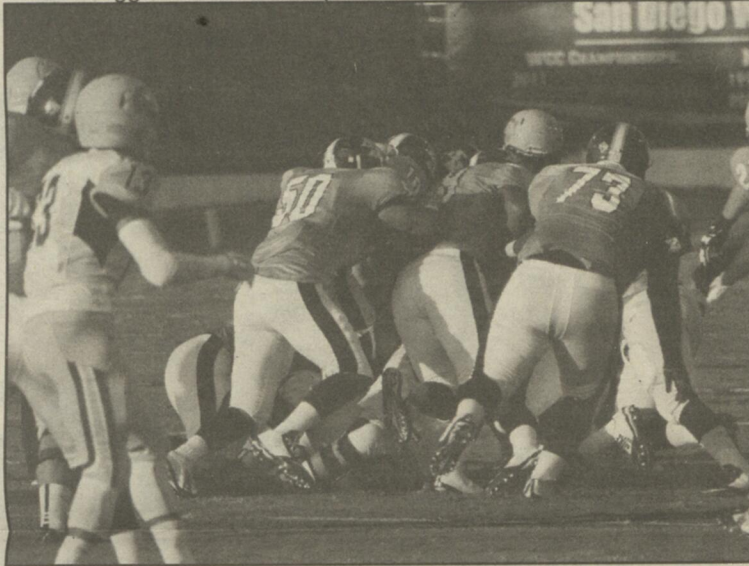
"We want to show that we deserve to go to the playoffs and deserve to play where we should have been last year," Keni said. "We try not to think of the team weeks down the road, but we just always want to play our best and kick the teams butt that we are playing this week."

The game starts at 2 p.m. at Torero Stadium, with Homecoming festivities taking place throughout the day.



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Senior Reggie Bell hauls in a pass with a defender right on his back.



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Una Hamala (50) and Brandon Pulealii (73) help make a tackle.

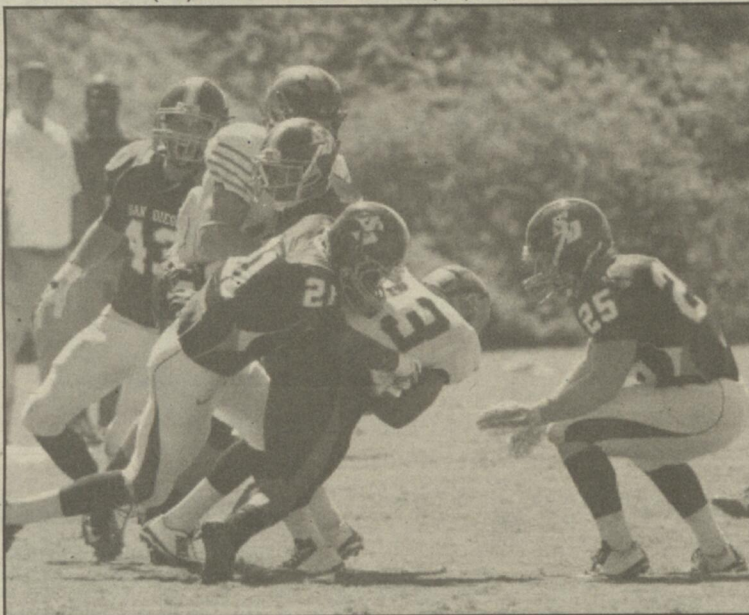


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Senior Toney Sawyer brings down a Princeton wide receiver.

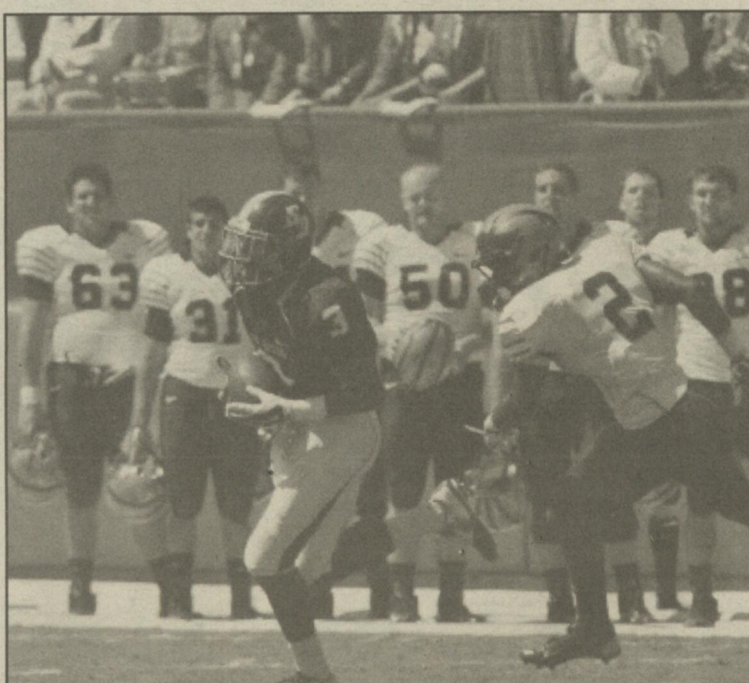


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Reggie Bell attempts to elude a Princeton defensive back.



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Sophomore quarterback Keith Williams takes a snap from junior center Steven Oliver.



# Significant upsets in Torero history

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The USD men's soccer team's defeat of the UCLA Bruins on Sept. 26 not only marked the team's third win of the season and first victory in two weeks, but it also served as a significant upset given UCLA's No. 1 ranking. The Toreros completed a 1-0 victory in front of a record crowd at Torero Stadium, which undoubtedly provided the team with energy and momentum.

This was not the first

time a Torero squad has taken down a top-ranked opponent. In recent years both the baseball and women's volleyball teams have pulled off big upsets over teams sitting atop the rankings. While the basketball team has never knocked a team out of the top spot in the rankings, they too have a history of big-time upsets over historic athletic programs. Here is a look back at some of the biggest upset wins in USD history.

**W O M E N ' S VOLLEYBALL:** Defeated No. 1 USC Trojans (September 13, 2013)

Just last year the Toreros' women's volleyball team shocked the top-ranked Trojans of USC, beating them by a score of 3-1. A record crowd of 2,014 fans packed the Jenny Craig Pavilion and cheered the Toreros to one of the biggest wins in the program's history.

The momentous win was one of five victories over ranked opponents during the 2013 volleyball season. After clinching the victory, which caused a flood of ecstatic students to rush the court, head coach Jennifer Petrie summed up the feelings of her

fearless team.

"No matter who the giant is on the other side of the net, our girls believe they are going to win," Petrie said.

**BASEBALL:** Defeated No. 1 Texas Longhorns (February 3-5, 2006)

The baseball team opened its 2006 season with a three-game sweep against the University of Texas Longhorns. The Toreros treated the home fans at Cunningham Stadium to a thorough domination of the Longhorns, who were the defending College World Series champions.

Over the course of the three games the Toreros outscored the Longhorns by a score of 22-10, a figure which was helped greatly by a 6-0 shutout in the series' second game. The sweep gave USD its first ever wins against the University of Texas, a school with six national titles and the best overall winning percentage in NCAA Division I baseball.

The series featured some future MLB players as well. Brian Matusz, currently a member of the Baltimore Orioles' bullpen, pitched for the Toreros while Colorado Rockies outfielder Drew Stubbs starred for the Longhorns.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL:** Defeated No. 4 Connecticut

Huskies (March 21, 2008)

As a 13th seed who had to travel all the way to Tampa Bay, Florida to face a perennial powerhouse in the fourth-seeded Connecticut Huskies, no one gave the Toreros much of a chance to secure their first ever NCAA Tournament victory. But that's exactly what this underdog Torero squad did, beating the Huskies in a scintillating 70-69 game.

Guard De'Jon Jackson made the biggest and most memorable shot in USD basketball history, sinking a fadeaway jumper with just 1.2 seconds left to bust America's brackets and propel the Toreros into the second round. Forward Gyno Pomare led the way with 22 points, while fellow forward Rob Jones had 14 points and six rebounds while battling Connecticut big man Hasheem Thabeet in the post.

This win at the Tampa Bay Times Forum remains the only NCAA Tournament win in USD history, as the Toreros would go on to lose to Western Kentucky in the next round. Head coach Bill Grier spoke about his history-making team after the game.

"We've won a lot of close games," Grier said about his roster which also beat Kentucky and Gonzaga that season. "They know how to win."



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Toreros celebrate their victory against No. 1 USC Trojans.



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De'Jon Jackson dribbles up the court.



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Baltimore Orioles pitcher Brian Matusz



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Toreros celebrate their victory against No. 1 UCLA Bruins.

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